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12 MONTHS

Weather in Review for 2014

By Bob Skilling
Mariner weather observer

January: A month of freezes and big thaws, two major snowstorms. Very cold, then snowy start with teens and twenties to start out the month and new year. A reading of 22 at midnight New Years Eve. A snowstorm of 14 inches Jan. 2 and 3 then below zero cold at -6 degrees. January 4. A big thaw up to 58 degrees and half inch of rain, snow melted away to just one inch on Jan. 6. Temperature rebound to 60 included a thunderstorm and all snow melted on 11th. New snow 12 inches on Jan. 21 and 22 melted to 1 inch after a 49-degree thaw on the 27th. Month: Temperature -1.1 degree, snowfall was 28 inches double the normal.

Summary: Temperature: 27.6 [-1.1]; Precipitation: 4.46 [+0.12]; Snowfall: 28.4 [+14.2].

February: Cold by 3 degrees below normal; total snowfall 23 inches or +8.6 inches. Temperatures from 3 above to 56 degrees. Greatest snowstorm 9 inches on Feb. 5 and 6. Greatest depth on ground 12 inches Feb. 18, four-day thaw in 50s from Feb. 20 through 23.

Summary: Temperature: 28.2 [-3.2]; Precipitation: 5.13 [+1.6]; Snowfall:

23.0 [+11.0].

March: Number seven coldest at 33.9 or -4.1 degree. Average minimum temperature of 23.8 was second coldest since 23.6 in 1956. Two lows of 6 above zero, two days, highs low 60s. Handful of snowfalls less than 1 inch; total 2.0 inches for the month!

Five days with 3 inches on ground March 1 through 5 left over from February.

Summary: Temperature:

33.9 [-4.1]; Precipitation:

4.89 [-0.05]; Snowfall:

2.0 [-6.4].

April: Near normal and uneventful month. Only one new record high maximum temperature 77, April 14, old record 73. Last freeze of season on April 21 at 30 degrees. One very small snow event, 0.3 in. on April 16.

Summary: Temperature:

48.6 [+0.8]; Precipitation:

4.46 [-0.05]; Snowfall:

0.3 [-1.4].

May: A warm month 2 degrees above normal. May 11 beautiful warm dry Mothers Day high of 81 degrees, relative humidity near 20 percent. High 86, May 12 and low not that cold at 36 on May 6.

Summary: Temperature:

59.4 [+2.1]; Precipitation:

3.15 [-0.88]; Snowfall:

None.

June: Slightly warm and a dry month with very dry conditions after mid-month with only 0.25

inches. High 91 on June 30, low 40 on June 1.

Summary: Temperature: 67.5 [+0.7]; Precipitation: 2.36 [-1.56].

July: Fringe rains from Hurricane Arthur July 4 and 5, 2.71 inches, wind gust 41 mph; only 0.77, July 6 through 31 as dry spell develops, five 90-degree days for month, a warm month, or higher but no official heat waves (3 90s consecutive), slightly dry overall.

Summary: Temperature: 74.2 [+2.2]; Precipitation: 3.48 [-0.50].

August: Third driest August extends dry spell, which began in early July after 2.71 inches July 4 and 5. Temperature average slightly cooler than normal and the average minimum by 2 degrees.

No heat waves and only two days reached the 90s.

Summary: Temperature: 70.0 [-0.8]; Precipitation: 1.38 [-2.90].

September: Fifth driest September on record dating back to 1953

extended an increasingly long dry spell to an official moderate. Our un-watered lawns turned unusually brown and looked like a July or August. Combined August-September rainfall 2.44 inches driest on record after 2.50 in August-September 1984.

Temperatures averaged warmer than normal and

reached 90s on three days Sept. 2 through 6 (not a heat wave though).

Summary: Temperature: 65.1 [+1.9]; Precipitation: 1.06 [-2.72].

October: Drought ending rains with monthly total of 8.68 inches was number five on list of wettest Octobers. Nor'easter Oct. 22 through 24, 4.78 inches Warm month 3.2 degrees above normal, average minimum very much above by +4.7 degrees. No 32-degree (average date was Oct. 13).

Summary: Temperature: 55.9 [+3.2]; Precipitation: 8.68 inches.

November: Second latest first seasonal 32-degree reading on Nov. 8; latest Nov. 18 in 2000. The average date is Oct. 13. Rainfall was (7.33) combined with October 16.01 inches is second most for the two months since 20.25 in 2006. Cool month at 42.2 degrees.

Summary: Temperature: 42.2 [-1.7]; Precipitation: 7.33; Snowfall: 1.7 inches.

December: Third consecutive very wet month with 7.17 inches. Very cloudy and mild in the top five warmest Decembers. Tied warmest high temperature for Christmas at 64 degrees set in 1964.

Summary: Temperature:

39.4 [+5.1]; for 29 days

Precipitation: 7.17; Snowfall: 1.5 inches.

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The following programs will take place at 3 North Main St. Call Cohasset Elder Affairs at 781-383-9112 if interested in attending events and activities or for more information.

Cohasset seniors: Call Cohasset Elder Affairs at 781-383-9112 to schedule a free safety evaluation of one's home conducted by representatives of Elder Affairs, the Cohasset Fire Department and the Board of Health. Minor improvements (installation of smoke or CO2 detectors, batteries, bathmats, etc.) will be provided free of charge.

Thursday, Jan. 8, 11 a.m., Thursdays with Jaime and Mary. Fun and games featuring such activities as trivia and bingo.

Wednesday, Jan. 14, 21 and 28, 1 p.m., Weight Loss by Hypnosis class. Three-class session. Start the New Year off right with help from hypnotist Joanne Campbell. Sign up with a friend. Studies

show that working on weight loss with a companion adds to success. Cost is \$24 for the whole session. Call to join.

Thursday, Jan. 15, noon, intergenerational activity. Deer Hill fourth grade students will entertain seniors and join them for lunch.

Thursday, Jan. 15, 8:30 a.m., Boston Symphony. Ride to Boston to hear the BSO during an open rehearsal. Tickets are \$18 to \$30 purchased at the box office. Cost is \$5 for transportation. First come first served. Limited van availability remaining.

Monday, Jan. 19, Martin Luther King Day. CEA offices closed

Friday, Jan. 23, by appointment. Dental hygienist Emma Lawson will be at the center to provide dental screening and cleaning for a low cost of \$70, or Mass Health accepted. Appointments scheduled between 9 a.m. and noon. Call CEA to reserve a spot.

Friday, Jan. 26, 1 to

3 p.m. Paint Party. Bring out one's inner artist while painting a winter harbor scene. No experience necessary for this casual paint gathering. Registration required. Cost is \$5.

Wednesday, Jan. 28 11 a.m. Fear of Losing Independence, presented by Hahn Home Healthcare. Jennifer Nosalek will talk about how to balance what everyone wants with what they may need. Those who are interested are welcome to stay for lunch after the program.

TRANSPORTATION

Cohasset Elder Affairs offer door-to-door van service to the following:

Around Town Route 3A: Mondays, 1 to 3 p.m. Stops, as requested, at Buttonwood Books, Supercuts, Bank of America, Rockland Trust, Walgreen's, CVS, Hingham Lumber, Old Colony shops, Aubuchon, etc.

Shaw's: Tuesdays, at 1 p.m.

Cohasset Train

Station: Wednesdays, drop off for 9:04 a.m. train; pickup for 3:08 p.m. return.

■ Wal-Mart/Hanover Mall: Wednesdays, at 9:30 a.m., return at 11:30 a.m.

■ Around Town (downtown Cohasset): Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.

■ Stop & Shop: Fridays, 9:30 a.m.

■ Trader Joes/Marshall's: Second Friday of the month, 9:30 a.m.

■ Derby Street Shoppes: Third Friday of the month, 9:30 a.m., return 11:30 a.m.

■ Christmas Tree Shop: Fourth Friday of the month, 9:30 a.m.

Call 781-383-9112 at least 24 hours in advance for transportation. For out-of-town trips, a voluntary donation of \$5 is requested.

Cohasset Elder Affairs Lunch Program: Lunches provided by celebrity chefs and local restaurants, at noon, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Call 24 hours ahead for reservations

CAPTIONS FOR COVER

ON THE COVER: Jack Buckley is named Citizen of the Year (Robin Chan Photo); Quinn O'Grady takes a selfie with Chloe Tolman, Hannah Piascik, and their Biology teacher Ed Savage before their graduation ceremony from Cohasset High School on Saturday, June 14, 2014. (Robin Chan); Capt. John Smith makes his arrival to much fanfare on Saturday, September 13, 2014. (Robin

Chan) Nick Cimetti and Emily Robbins walk the red carpet during the Cohasset High School Pre-Prom Celebration held Friday, May 30, 2014, on the Town Common. (K.A. MacDonald); Terese D'urso of Cohasset is the perfect size for her sign while she holds signs by Highland Avenue of Tuesday, November 4, 2014. (Robin Chan); Sydney Langangen, 12, of Cohasset and

Molly Greer, 12, of Cohasset work together to move a heavy wheelbarrow filled with pumpkins while helping ASP put together their pumpkin patch on Wednesday, October 8, 2014. (Robin Chan); The first wave of elite athletes race into the waters off Sandy Beach at the start of the Cohasset Triathlon last June (Laura Sinclair). Thomas Wigmore, past National Vice Commander

2005-2006 Sons of the American Legion, standing with his father Steve Wigmore, Legion commander, addresses the large crowd in Cohasset Veterans Park on Mon., May 26, 2014. (Lisa Aimola); From front to back, Ethan Bartucca, 12, Tucker Fulton, 12, and Colin McFetridge, 12, of Cohasset go down the hill together while enjoying the snow last February. (Robin Chan)

South Shore Tide Chart COHASSET HARBOR (WHITE HEAD)

JAN. 2015	HIGH				LOW				SUNRISE	SUNSET
	AM	HGT.	PM	HGT.	AM	HGT.	PM	HGT.		
Thursday 01	7:54	9.6	8:32	8.5	1:25	0.3	2:10	-0.2	7:12	4:21
Friday 02	8:49	9.7	9:27	8.6	2:21	0.3	3:05	-0.3	7:12	4:22
Saturday 03	9:40	9.8	10:17	8.6	3:14	0.3	3:55	-0.4	7:12	4:23
Sunday 04	10:26	9.8	11:02	8.6	4:02	0.3	4:41	-0.5	7:12	4:24
Monday 05	11:09	9.7	11:44	8.7	4:47	0.3	5:23	-0.5	7:12	4:25
Tuesday 06	11:50	9.6			5:30	0.4	6:03	-0.4	7:12	4:26
Wednesday 07	12:23	8.6	12:29	9.5	6:12	0.5	6:42			

POLICE BEAT

Rear-end accidents are piling up

By Mary Ford
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MVA

Police responded to a three-car accident on Chief Justice Cushing Highway (Route 3A) near Aubuchon on Monday (Dec. 22) around 3:13 p.m. A 2002 Chevrolet sedan, operated by a 17-year-old Kingston teen, was headed south and had stopped to make a left into the hardware store. The 2009 Toyota SUV, operated by a 47-year-old Scituate woman, stopped behind the Chevrolet. A third vehicle, a 2002 Volkswagen sedan, operated by a 71-year-old Scituate woman, drove into the back of the Toyota, pushing it into the Chevrolet, police said. The driver of the VW was cited for following too closely on state highway. The Toyota and VW were both towed and the operator of the Toyota was transported to the hospital with minor injuries. The highway was shut down at Henry Turner Bailey Road in Scituate while the scene was being cleared, police said.

MVA

On Monday (Dec. 22) around 4:30 p.m., a 2001 Pontiac sedan, operated by a 21-year-old Cohasset woman, drove into the back of a 2008 BMW SUV, operated by a 53-year-old Hingham woman, who had stopped at the light on Chief Justice Cushing Highway (Route 3A) at Pond Street. The Pontiac was towed, there were no reported injuries and the 21-year-old was cited for following too closely on a state highway, police said.

MVA

Police were called to the Mobil Mart to assist

with paperwork following a rear-end accident at Sohier Street and King Street (Route 3A) on Tuesday (Dec. 23) around 5 p.m. A 2008 Land Rover SUV, operated by a 40-year-old Cohasset woman, was waiting on Sohier Street to turn right onto King Street when the SUV was hit from behind by a 2004 Nissan sedan, operated by a 70-year-old Cohasset man. Neither vehicle was towed and there were no injuries, police said.

Boxes taken

There were two incidents reported last week involving packages that had been delivered being stolen from homes in town. Both were reported on Monday (Dec. 22).

In the first incident, a 48-year-old Pond Street resident told police that a UPS package with about \$500 in merchandise had been stolen. She tracked the package that showed it had been delivered.

In the second incident, a 36-year-old Mendel Road resident reported a FedEx box with \$350 in mostly clothing had been taken. His tracking number showed the package had been delivered on Dec. 17, police said.

Police have put out alerts about a practice dubbed "tailgating" involving a would-be thief following UPS and FedEx trucks to homes and swiping the box if the resident is not at home.

\$100 ticket

A 31-year-old Norwell man was issued a \$100 ticket for parking illegally in a handicap spot in a small plaza on King Street (Route 3A) on Tuesday (Dec. 23). The reporting party told police the BMW had been in the

parking spot for three hours.

Suspicious activity

A 63-year-old S. Main Street man notified police at 3:13 a.m. on Saturday (Dec. 27) after spotting a man in a black jacket and hat try to open his front door. The potential intruder was unsuccessful so he then went around to the back porch and tried to open the back door. When the resident turned on the lights, he saw the subject run off, police said. Police checked the area and have put on extra patrols.

Hit & run

On Saturday (Dec. 27), a 56-year-old Cohasset woman reported that she had been in the gym on King Street from 9:30 to 11 a.m. and when she came out realized another vehicle had damaged her 2013 Volkswagen Jetta that was parked in the lot. There was paint transfer from the offending vehicle on both the right-side doors and there was also a dent. It appeared someone pulling into or out of the adjacent space hit the Jetta, police said.

Ladder fall

The 41-year-old Scituate woman operating a 2010 Toyota sedan on Chief Justice Cushing Highway (Route 3A) and the rear entrance to Stop & Shop had a shock when a ladder fell from a pickup truck and smashed through her rear window, police said. The incident occurred on Saturday (Dec. 27) around 1 p.m. Police said the 1998 Dodge pickup, operated by a 52-year-old Scituate man, traveling behind the Toyota that was headed north hit the brakes and the ladder flew off the truck. Neither vehicle was

towed and there were no injuries. The truck driver was cited for having an unsecured load.

Fight

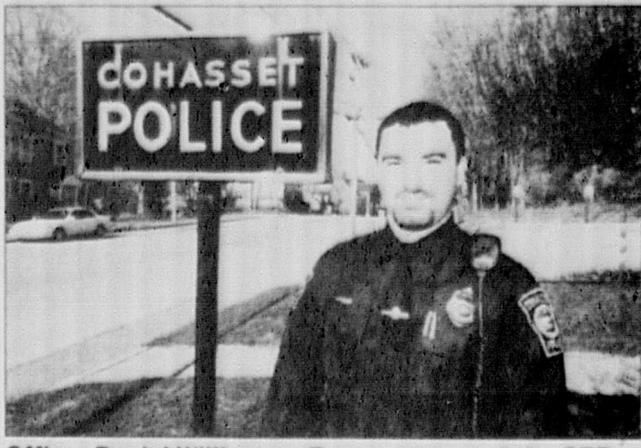
Dispatch notified police on Saturday (Dec. 27) around 11:15 p.m. about a fight in progress at the Legion Hall on Summer Street. Police responded and found two men, a 26-year-old Cohasset resident, and a 33-year-old Marshfield resident, walking in opposite directions on Summer Street. They talked to the men and obtained their information should either wish to press charges later.

Police said the doorman at the Legion broke up the fight. Pursuant to the town's new liquor license regulations, adopted recently by the Board of Selectmen, a licensed establishment has to notify police immediately about a disturbance at the premises. Not to do so would be in violation of the town ordinance.

Deer MVAs

There were two accidents on Sunday (Dec. 28) involving deer. The first occurred at King Street (Route 3A) and Sanctuary Road around 12:03 a.m. Police said a 2002 Ford Explorer, operated by a 46-year-old Quincy woman, struck a deer that ran off into the woods. There was minor damage to the Explorer.

The second accident at 6:25 p.m. involved a 2008 Mini Cooper on Chief Justice Cushing Highway (Route 3A) near the Hingham line. The 18-year-old Cohasset teen told police the deer suddenly appeared and he was unable to avoid it. There was damage to the front headlight and bumper, police said.

APPOINTMENT

Officer Daniel Williams, a 7-year veteran of the CPD, is the new police prosecutor. COURTESY PHOTO

Williams named police prosecutor

Acting Police Chief William Quigley has appointed Officer Daniel Williams to represent the Cohasset Police Department as police prosecutor in Quincy District Court.

Williams is a 7-year veteran of the Cohasset Police Department and holds a Juris Doctorate Degree from Suffolk University. He lives in Cohasset with his wife and two children. Williams recently became a member of the Massachusetts Bar, Quigley said.

Williams will replace

Cohasset Police Prosecutor Patrick Kenney who is retiring from the CPD on Jan. 2. In a letter to First Justice Mark S. Coven dated Dec. 22, Quigley stated he had been considering candidates to fill the void to be left by Kenney for the past 30 days.

"I am confident that you and the staff of Quincy District Court will find that Dan is a pleasure to work with and conducts himself in a most professional manner," Quigley wrote.

DPW

Winter means salt, snow

Cohasset Department of Public Works reminds residents that a sand and salt mixture will be available in the upper corner of the town parking lot. The DPW will re-stock as soon as all streets are safe to travel on.

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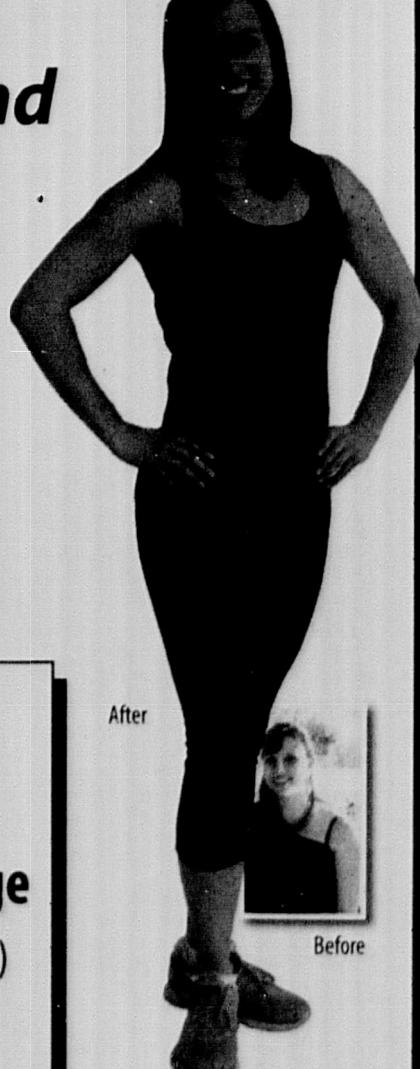
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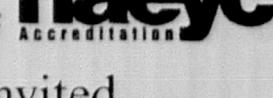
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COMING IN 2015

Officials talk top issues for town, schools

By Erin Dale
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As 2014 comes to a close, Cohasset officials are looking to the future. Both the Town Manager and Superintendent of Schools have big plans for 2015, with technology at the forefront.

"I think there's a lot of really good work being done, and we're going to get to build on it in 2015," said Town Manager Chris Senior.

On the school side, "We are studying and working very hard on technology," said Superintendent Barbara Cataldo. "Our digital learning committee has worked tirelessly for four months now, evaluating what we have and creating a vision for what we need moving forward."

For both the town and schools, this includes rolling out new and improved websites (the town site, Cohassetmass.org, was completed this past summer), working with Cohasset's Chief Technology Officer (CTO) Rob Bonnell, who splits his duties with the town and school district.

Although Bonnell recently announced plans to step down in 2015, Cataldo and Senior are working together to post the position and hire a new CTO in the near future, and keep the technology goals on track.

"I put together a job description back in October, now it's a matter of posting it," said Cataldo.

Senior said he hopes to find a new CTO sometime in early 2015. In the meantime, both the town and school district have several technology-related initiatives coming into view.

"We've been doing a lot of work internally, and in 2015 we'll see the fruits of that," said Senior.

Town

The town manager recently reflected on his first year in Cohasset; Senior started in January 2014 after 10 years as deputy town supervisor in North Hempstead, New York.

Early on, Senior compared his current community to his former, referring to both as "coastal communities with good school systems." And while one of his goals for North Hempstead was to lend a "small-town feel" to a larger community, in Cohasset Senior is striving to bring big city services to town while maintaining a close-knit community quality.

Implementing new technology has helped foster that goal. One of the item's on Senior's to-do list was to update the town's website; Bonnell completed a new site that was rolled out earlier this year, along with Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping software.

The new system can help the fire department "map fire hydrants," for example, said Senior. "We didn't have that [capability] before."

The town manager hopes to continue to utilize this and other technology in the coming year. While Cohasset is "not on the cutting edge by any means, it helps us leverage our resources," said Senior. "We're a small town; we only have so many resources. It's good to use technology to improve accessibility."

The new website has enabled the town to post board meeting minutes online sooner. "We're trying to put more information out and be more transparent," said Senior. The new site has "allowed us to put more information up" which has "improved [the public's] ability to access government.

"It's not just a new website," Senior added. "It's a much

more robust vehicle to open up what we do so people can see."

Although it appears complete, the website is still a work in progress. Senior said that next year's goals include expanding the site to mobile devices and introducing more online bill paying and permitting.

However, those who still like the familiarity of face-time at Town Hall will still have the ability to interface in person. Even though Town Hall also has a drop-box outside, "That doesn't mean you can't come to the tax window," said Senior.

"One of the nicest things about Cohasset is that people do interact on a personal level," he continued. "We don't want to use technology to block that; we want to enhance it. It can make visits to Town Hall go a whole lot smoother."

And for those who want to alert officials on to go - there's an app for that.

Coming in mid-January, Cohasset residents will be able to download the Commonwealth Connect app known as "See Click Fix," which enables users to snap a photo of a pothole, or a limb that needs cutting, and send it right to the top - then track how long it takes to have the matter resolved.

"Citizens will be able to see something, have us respond to it, and track what we did," said Senior, adding that he used a similar "constituent response system" back in North Hempstead. "I think it's reassuring to people" to be able to actively engage with their local government, he said.

Senior shared another innovative program from his prior community: a call center for citizens' complaints that evolved into a way to connect with seniors and help

them find taxi rides and other transportation.

"It was something we didn't conceive of" when starting the call center, said Senior. "By being creative, we can find ways of making [services] even more valuable."

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Schools

In 2015, Superintendent Cataldo hopes to get Cohasset schools up to speed - and beyond.

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The group has been reviewing other public schools with a "variety of models" and "studied those to understand further what would work in Cohasset public schools," said Cataldo.

Different technology 'roll-outs' could include a "one-to-one" iPad initiative (where every student gets a school-issued tablet to work on), or a "bring your own device" system.

"We don't have a specific outcome as of yet," the superintendent said.

The digital learning committee will likely make a presentation to the School Committee in the coming weeks, said Cataldo.

The school website is also a priority for 2015. "I'm sure it's going to happen over the

summer," said Cataldo, adding that it has yet to be updated because the company who set up the site is no longer part of the state Department of Education's E-Rate system, which helps fund school websites. Also forthcoming: Cohasset schools Facebook and Twitter accounts.

"This summer is the summer to work hard on these items," said Cataldo.

In other tech news, all three schools now have working LobbyGuard electronic security sign-in kiosks at the front doors. Cataldo said this week that the kiosks are all up to date.

The town manager is also excited for what the schools are planning for the New Year, and hopes the town can follow suit.

"There's a focus on the twenty-first century classroom; we'd like to get to the twenty-first century Town Hall, too, to make what we do more effective," said Senior.

"The sky's the limit" when it comes to technology, the town manager added. "But we want to do it the right way."

Other goals

While technology is still a major focus, both the town and school district have other irons in the fire.

Also on Senior's 2015 "wish list": getting Cohasset Harbor dredged, after the federally funded project by the Army Corps of Engineers was delayed this past fall. Senior said the project will be put out to bid this spring, with plans

to complete the dredging in fall 2015.

"We're actively working with the Corps to make sure we've teed it up for as early as possible," said Senior, adding that Harbormaster Lorri Gibbons is "very much on top of it."

Come mid-January, town officials will be elbows-deep in preparing the fiscal year 2016 budget, which starts on July 1 and will be voted on by the May 2015 Annual Town Meeting.

"It's fair to say we're all paying attention to Beacon Hill, watching the state's fiscal situation," said Senior. "We're really advocating our legislatures to protect local aid... It's critically important."

In an effort to encourage citizen engagement in town government - one of the Board of Selectmen's goals for this year, said Senior - the town manager has been holding public "fiscal forecasting sessions" on various topics, including fees, assessments and state aid. Senior said he hopes to hold more of these sessions in the spring, and bring the school district into the loop with a session on enrollment projections.

"I think it could be helpful," said Senior.

Cataldo said that she and School Business Manager Dave Gennaro are hard at work on "enrollment management" for the next school year, "looking into the statistical analysis of how we make some determinations moving forward."

"We're studying or financial numbers and what we need to have to move forward successfully in the district," she added. "Our eyes will be on the budget, which backtracks into enrollment management."

One goal of the district is to work with Town Hall to "continue to seek ways to help families file their census" in order to help the school accurately project enrollment numbers, said Cataldo.

Another 2015 issue will be evaluating the district's annual student trip to Camp Bourneade. It's "one of the bigger things we've reviewed this year," the superintendent said, "and it will continue into 2015." A committee charged to review the matter "has come to a decision," said Cataldo, and will present to the school committee in January or February.

The superintendent is also looking back on the successful year Cohasset schools have had, so far. Among her highlights: watching the Cohasset High School football team become Division VI champions at the "Super Bowl" in Gillette Stadium two weeks ago.

"Obviously we're very proud of all the students who participate in sports, and are particularly proud this year of the football team winning the Super Bowl," said Cataldo.

She also commended the high school's performing arts students, who put on "spectacular" performances during the "Guys and Dolls" musical and winter concert. The superintendent thanked the schools' PSO, Cohasset Education Foundation, and South Shore Playhouse Associates for contributing to the \$30,000 that was used to purchase new lighting and sound system for the High School auditorium.

"You can see the difference when you're in the auditorium," said Cataldo, thanking the fundraising groups for their continued support of the schools. It's one of many things the superintendent said she is thankful for as the calendar year comes to a close.

"I'm very grateful for a supportive school committee, supportive parent community and wonderful students who come here every day ready to learn," Cataldo said.

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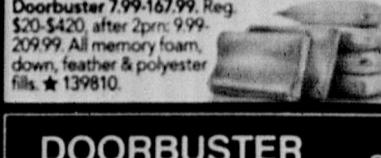
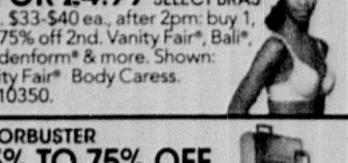
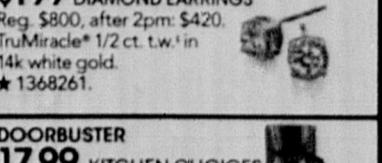
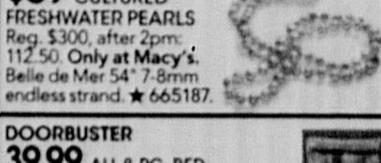
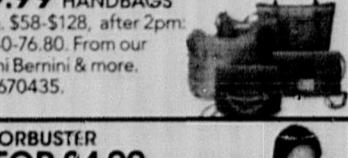
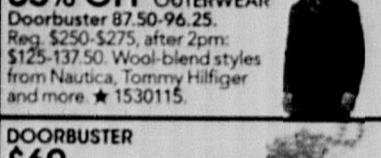
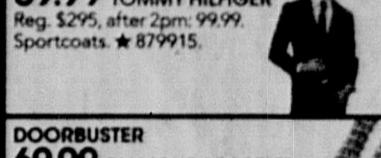
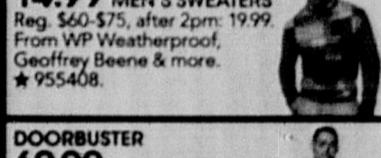
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AUTHOR TALKS

Brothers subject of award-winning book

By Marylou Lawrence

American journalist and author George Howe Colt will speak about his 2012 award-winning book, "Brothers," at Sunday Author Talks at 4 p.m., Jan. 4, at 4 p.m., at Paul Pratt Memorial Library.

Colt explores the complicated dynamics of fraternal relationship through a compelling blend of three lenses – anecdotal history, personal memoir and psychological theory. The meat of the book examines a range of male sibling relationships through five historical narratives: The good brother and the bad in John and Edwin Wilkes Booth, the vicious rivalry between John and Will Kellogg; the

A wine and cheese reception will follow Mr. Colt's talk, and Buttonwood Books will have his book available for purchase and signing. Admission is free.

mutual dependency of Theo and Vincent van Gogh; the competition that shaped the Marx brothers' destiny, and the protective "brother's keeper" relationship of John and Henry Thoreau.

Supported by abundant research, Colt draws on a wealth of other examples of iconic brothers such as the Kennedys, Wrights, Gershwin, DiMaggios, Capones, etc., to further illustrate the complex and challenging social bonds of male siblings.

Colt alternates psychological and sociological analysis with both historical research and thoughtful remembrances of his own squabbling relationship with his three brothers, Harry, Ned and Mark, and makes a case for the power of sibling rivalry and love as a driving force in an individual's development.

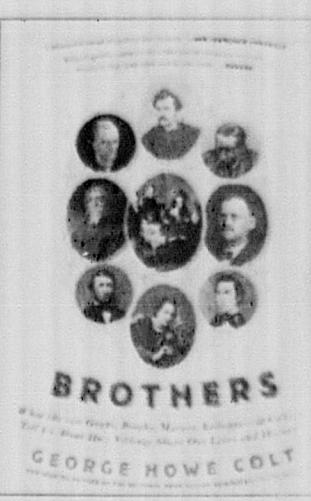
In the "New York Times Book Review," Phillip Lopate said, "Anyone who's had the pleasure of reading

Colt's previous (works) will know his delicate, detailed, ironically self-mocking way with prose, and his lucid, affectionate fair-mindedness. Colt has done a prodigious job of research and synthesis, and his skill at storytelling is such that each of them is transformed into something fresh, dramatic and emotionally piercing."

George Colt was a staff writer for Life magazine and has written three other books: "November of the Soul," "The Enigma of Suicide" and "The Big House," which made him a National Book Award finalist and was selected as a New York Times Notable Book of the Year. "Brothers" received the 2013 Massachusetts Book Award for non-fiction.



American journalist and author George Howe Colt.



The 2012 award-winning book, "Brothers," is the subject of Sunday Author Talks on January 4, at 4 p.m. COURTESY PHOTOS

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Sunday Author Talks is

SOCIAL NEWS

Ritts — Mitchell engaged

Allison Ritts and Matthew Mitchell are planning a May wedding. COURTESY PHOTO

Judy and Gary Ritts of Cohasset joyously announce the engagement of their daughter, Allison, to Matthew Mitchell, the son of Patricia and Leeds Mitchell III of Bristol, R.I.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Cohasset High School, a 2001 graduate of

the University of Colorado, earning a masters degree in social work from Boston University in 2011. She is a clinician at South Shore Educational Collaborative in Hingham. Her fiancé is a 2000 graduate of The Providence Country Day School and 2014 graduate of

Johnson & Wales University. He is an analyst at Webster Bank working in Government and Institutional Banking.

An open church wedding at the 2nd Congregational Church in Cohasset, followed by a private reception, is planned for May 2, 2015.

DRAMATIC CLUB

Auditions for 'Briefs' this weekend at Town Hall Theater

The Cohasset Dramatic Club will hold auditions for its second annual short play festival, "Briefs" at 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 4 and at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 5 at the Cohasset Town Hall Theater, 41 Highland Avenue, Cohasset.

"Briefs" is composed of seven short (10-minute) plays from some of our country's pre-eminent, award-winning playwrights. Seven directors have been chosen from the Boston area, and will be present at auditions.

Auditions will consist of monologue readings. You may bring your own one-minute monologue – either comedic or dramatic. We will have monologues available at

auditions if you do not have one. Also, bring a headshot and resume to auditions, if you have them.

All roles are open and roles are available for men and women ages 18–65. There will be three to four rehearsals per 10 minute piece in the month of January, leading up to performances on Feb. 6 and 7.

Questions? Email us at info@cohassetdramaticclub.org

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YEAR IN REVIEW

LOOKING BACK

Cohasset's top headlines of 2014

By Erin Dale

JANUARY

New Town Manager starts

Cohasset's new Town Manager, Chris Senior, takes the helm on Monday, Jan. 13. Senior comes to Cohasset from North Hempstead, N.Y., where he has worked as the Deputy Town Supervisor since 2004.

The Board of Selectmen launched the search for a permanent town manager in the summer of 2013. Senior was the unanimous choice by all five selectmen.

Senior's contract with Cohasset begins on Jan. 13 and runs three years, with a clause that six months before it expires, the Board of Selectmen can discuss whether to extend it. Senior's salary for all three years is \$148,000.

Hercules: Emergency team mobilized

Even Hercules was no match for Cohasset. Before the first big blizzard of 2014 could do its worst, the town was ready to batten down the hatches. Cohasset's Emergency Management Agency met before, during and after the storm to get crucial messages out to residents and provide assistance when needed.

Town Manager Act becomes law

Now that the amended Town Manager Act (TMA) has become law, aligning it with the town's bylaws is the next order of business.

That's what the Governance Committee is working on, following the TMA bill, H. 3486, being signed into law by Governor Patrick on Thursday, Jan. 16. Now, the members of the committee plan to tackle the town bylaws in order to bring them into compliance with the updated TMA. The town's original TMA was enacted in 1997.

Governance chairman Kevin McCarthy said that after over a year of working on revisions to the TMA, which were approved by the April 2013 Town Meeting, he and the rest of the committee were happy to hear that it was finally signed into law.

Kids Triathlon on the table

The Annual Cohasset Triathlon nearly 1,000 athletes swimming, running and cycling their way around town... Now, a trio of Cohasset health and athletic professionals are working alongside founder and director Bill Burnett of Streamline Events to create a second race – one just for kids.

Children are allowed to participate in the Cohasset Tri, but they must be at least 13 years old. If approved by the Board of Selectmen, kids from age five to 14 could race in their very first triathlon.

This event would provide a chance for younger kids to get involved and see what their parents do," said Burnett.

FEBRUARY

Parking problem: ticket moratorium

In Cohasset, parking appears to be a common problem. Members of the First Parish Carriage House Nursery School appealed to the Board of Selectmen on Tuesday

night to allow parking in four marked spaces between the First Parish Meetinghouse and the town common, and to temporarily lift ticketing for parking there. Parents dropping off and picking up their children at the Carriage House have found their cars ticketed over the past few months in what some view as excessive.

Acting Police Chief William Quigley reported that the police department forwarded parking recommendations for the common to the town manager on Oct. 16, 2013. "There is no easy solution here and unfortunately the police department finds itself caught in a no win situation," said Quigley. "We will continue to work with all of the stakeholders to find common ground."

Iconic building lost to fire

An iconic Cohasset building became engulfed in flames on Wednesday afternoon.

Firefighters from Cohasset, Hingham, Hull and Scituate attended to the three-alarm blaze; chiefs from Abington and Whitman were also on the scene.

The Reflections Antique Emporium at 808 Jerusalem Road, a Victorian building known for its distinctive, colorful shingles, has always been a standout on its spot at West Corner, where the towns of Cohasset, Hull and Hingham meet. The antique store was set to close up shop after nearly 20 years of business in Cohasset, and four years of being voted the "best antique store" by Wicked Local.

The historic structure was built in 1900 by Charles West as a general store and served as the tri-town library from 1907 to the 1960s. It was assessed at \$544,000, according to assessors' records.

Karin Gorman bought the building in 1994 and turned it into her Antique Emporium, attracting customers from near and far over the course of 20 years. She was planning to close on the building's sale in March.

Sailing Club: New clubhouse going up

The Cohasset Sailing Club is ready to say "ahoy" to a brand new building.

Tuesday, Feb. 4 marked the "barn raising" of the new clubhouse, which is currently a nail-less post and beam structure. The old Lighthouse Lane building was erected in 1979 and torn down in October 2013.

MARCH

Senior Center becoming a reality

At 91 Sohier Street, not far from the town library and South Shore Music Circus, what could one day be an iconic building is currently being built.

Years in the making, Cohasset's new Senior Center is becoming a reality. Construction began last month, shortly after building permits were obtained. The \$3.5 million center is being built – and paid for – by the Social Service League (SSL) of Cohasset.

Should tobacco age be 21?

The Cohasset Board of Health is considering a few changes that would affect who can buy nicotine products in town, and



FIREFIGHTERS: Cohasset firefighters crawl back down the ladder while the roof of the Reflections Antique Emporium at West Corner catches fire last spring. The building could not be saved. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN

where – and also how old the purchasers have to be.

Like in neighboring Scituate, the minimum age to purchase tobacco in Cohasset could be raised from the state minimum of 18 to 21. Scituate health officials recently voted to raise the legal age, effective May 1.

It's part of an effort to crack down on teenage smoking, said Board of Health Agent and Administrator Felix Zemel. "There is a very strong evidence base for why the age should be raised," Zemel said during the Tuesday, March 11 Board of Health meeting, citing a Centers for Disease Control behavioral survey of young adults, which found that over 90 percent of youths who smoke tobacco obtain it from someone who is under 21.

Officials try to combat overdosing

The recent fatal heroin overdose of a Cohasset resident has town officials evaluating how to address what seems to be a statewide epidemic, as the number of suspected heroin overdose deaths in Massachusetts surged over the past four months.

There were 60 reported heroin overdose deaths in Norfolk county last year, and 12 so far in 2014. Added to that list is the Monday, March 3 death of a 30-year-old Cohasset man, who died from a heroin overdose in Brockton. He was the seventh person to die of a suspected heroin overdose in Brockton in just 17 days, according to published reports.

Cohasset Acting Police Chief William Quigley said that there have been three opiate overdoses in Cohasset since the start of the year, none of which were fatal. "Thankfully these people were transported to the hospital, and they're well now," said Quigley.

The recent death of a resident serves as "a reminder we're part of something bigger," he added. "We're committed to being proactive about prevention, intervention and enforcement."

Town Election: Selectmen's race a go

Citizens continue pulling papers to run for the May 10 Town Election... So far, there is a three-way race for the Board of Selectmen, which has two terms set to expire, positions currently held by chairman Fred Koed and vice-chair Diane Kennedy.



SAILING CLUB: Long shadows fall across the waterfront where framing is underway for the post and beam constructed Cohasset Sail Club boathouse on Government Island last winter. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / CHRIS BERNSTEIN



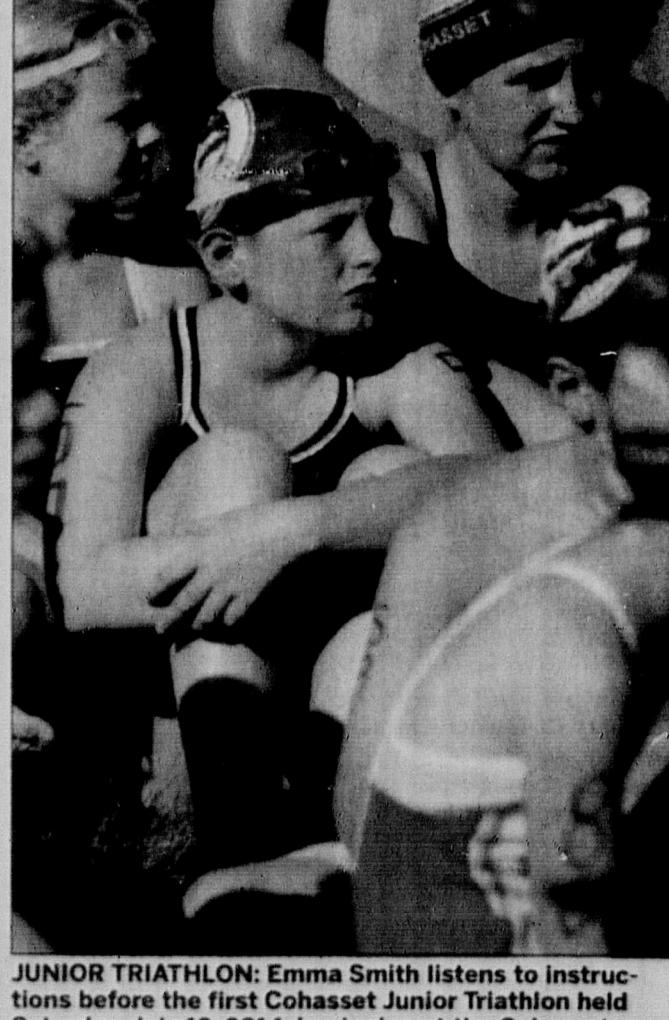
ELECTION DAY: Leanora Jenkins, a Kevin McCarthy supporter, waves to a car as it pulls onto Highland Avenue while her husband, Lee, chats with Gary Barrow of Cohasset during the town election last spring. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN

Both have decided to run again, with former Governance Committee chair Kevin McCarthy vying for one of those spots.

Kennedy currently serves as vice-chair and is running for her second term, having been elected in 2011. McCarthy, an attorney, currently serves on the Governance Committee. All three candidates have returned their nomination papers and are officially in the running. Koed, who is currently in his fifth term as a selectman, issued his candidate announcement last week, saying that he wants to keep the town going "on the right track."

John Smith Day plans unfold

With several months to plan, Cohasset's Historical Commission has already made strides in arranging events for the town's upcoming "John Smith Day," which recognizes the famous captain's landing



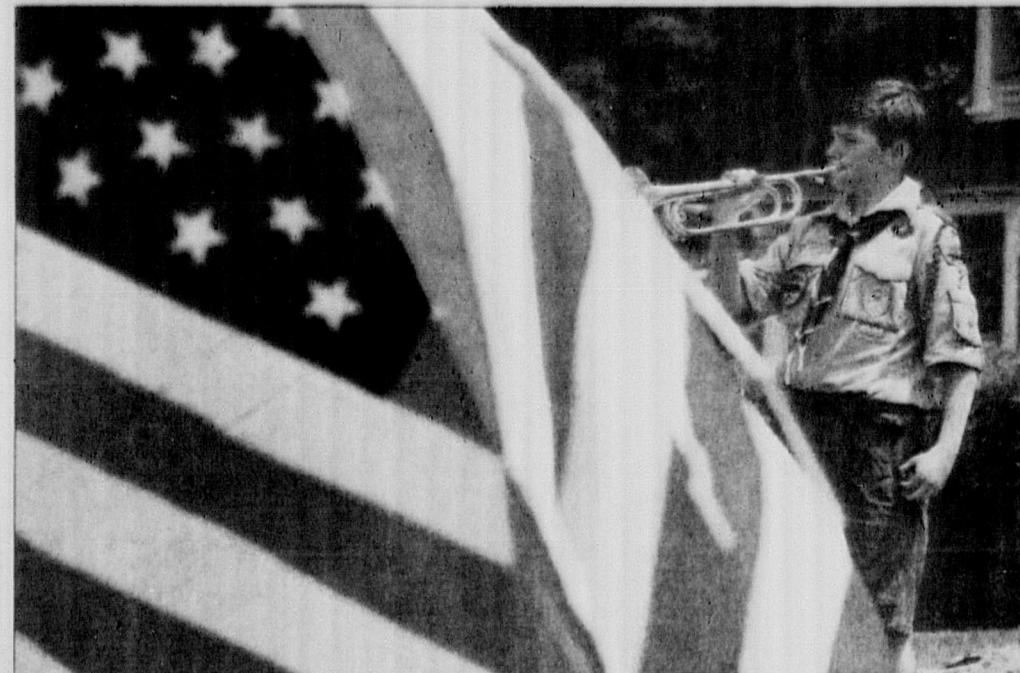
JUNIOR TRIATHLON: Emma Smith listens to instructions before the first Cohasset Junior Triathlon held Saturday, July 12, 2014, beginning at the Cohasset Swim Center. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO / K.A. MACDONALD

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YEAR IN REVIEW



TOWN MEETING: Town Manager Chris Senior and School Superintendent Barbara Cataldo talk before the Cohasset Town Meeting held Monday, April 28, 2014, at Cohasset High School. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO / KA MACDONALD



FIELD OF HONOR: Tommy Olson, 13, of Troop 28 plays the echo during the Healing Field dedication last May. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN

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in Cohasset harbor 400 years ago – six years before the Pilgrims set foot on Plimoth Rock.

The historical commission recently started a subcommittee dedicated to planning the event, which is scheduled to take place on Saturday, Sept. 13 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and could include a reenactment, Native American demonstration or ceremony, and school projects such as stories, skits, dioramas or videos.

"We want to have everybody involved," said Historical commissioner Becky Bates-McArthur, who presented plans for the day to the Board of Selectmen on Tuesday night, and also appeared to the Community Preservation Committee on Monday with a proposal to "spruce up" the Lawrence Wharf pavilion area.

Friends will mourn firefighter

One of the firefighters who perished in a Boston fire Wednesday night had family in Cohasset. Michael R. Kennedy, 33, along with Lieutenant Edward J. Walsh, died as a result of injuries sustained fighting a 9-alarm blaze on Beacon Street.

Kennedy had over six years of firefighting experience, according to published reports. He lived in Hyde Park and was unmarried. His mother and stepfather live on Elm Street in Cohasset. Cohasset Police Officer Patrick Kenney's son, Patrick, was a childhood friend of Kennedy's. The two attended summer camp together. Kennedy grew up in Milton with his parents; his mother later remarried and moved to Cohasset.

Kenney said that Kennedy was a Marine and became a firefighter after he left his service.

"When he got out, he wanted nothing but to be a firefighter," said Kenney, adding that Kennedy had a calling. "He truly loved everything about his job."

APRIL

Antique store torn down

Despite the owner's efforts to save the fire-ravaged Reflections Antique Emporium (808 Jerusalem Road), the 100-year-old building was demolished this week.

The town issued a demolition order a month after the historic building was destroyed in a three-alarm electrical fire on February 13. Owner Karin Gorman, who transformed the former tri-town library into her antique store over 20 years ago, was hoping what remained of the structure could be salvaged.

However, Gorman did not have an insurance policy on the building. "Unless someone wants to

save it besides me, essentially the land is what's for sale, and I'm crushed," said Gorman.

CPD ramps up response to ODs

In response to a Cohasset man's heroin overdose in Brockton last month, a recent arrest of a Brockton man for heroin possession in Cohasset, and a heroin overdose in town two weeks ago, Cohasset police are coming up with new ways to fight the war on drugs.

All Cohasset police cruisers are now equipped with Narcan, an inhalant that reverses the effects of a drug overdose.

"The fact that we're carrying Narcan is an unfortunate sign of the times," said Acting Police Chief William Quigley. "But it adds to the life-saving equipment we carry in the cruiser, including oxygen, AEDs and tourniquets."

Cohasset fire department paramedics used Narcan successfully last week, reviving a woman who overdosed using heroin.

New faces at Red Lion Inn

With a new general manager and executive chef, big changes are in store for the Red Lion Inn. John Cowden, the new GM, and chef Michael Brentana both started working at the inn last month and are implementing some fresh ideas and initiatives.

Along with an all-new menu, there will be new events and operating hours. Cowden plans to open up the inn for more than just the weekend... New management also means an all-new culinary crew and new sales and marketing team.

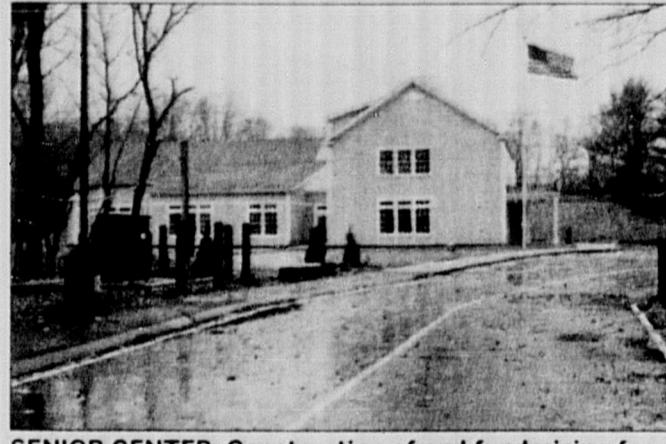
"It's a blank slate," said Cowden. "There's just so much potential. We're creating multiple events that will bring life to this old inn."

Dog park plans explored

Who says that cat and dog people can't come together? A new volunteer committee that was formed to explore the feasibility of a Cohasset dog park is comprised of those who love both canines and felines. Patricia Morse, President of the Cohasset Working Dog Foundation who is spearheading the dog park committee, admitted that she doesn't even own a dog.

"I have to thank Trish, who's a cat person," selectman Steve Gaumer, who originally floated the idea of a dog park during a Board of Selectmen meeting, joked on Tuesday night.

"Anything that brings people together and creates community, I'm for," Morse said of her involvement, explaining how she believes a dog park can benefit the Cohasset community.



SENIOR CENTER: Construction of and fundraising for the new Cohasset Senior Center was one of the top stories of 2014. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / CHRIS BERNSTEIN

Protecting town water supply

With Earth Month underway, Cohasset officials want residents to remember that trash and yard waste have their place – at the town dump, not in the local water supply.

Water Commissioner Leonora Jenkins is speaking out against pollution in the Ellms Meadow well field, raising the matter during a recent Board of Selectmen meeting.

"Some of the selectmen were unaware that the neighborhood was dumping their yard waste and brush on the town property," Jenkins explained in an email. "I indicated that this has been a problem for a very long time and with the well field just being reopened [on March 26] that provides at least 20 percent of the town's water supply, we would like to alleviate this problem."

MAY

Town Meeting: Over in one night

Cohasset Town Meeting plowed through 29 warrant articles in just under four hours on Monday, April 28... The town's nearly \$40 million operating budget, including town departments

and the schools, passed after brief discussion, as did a zoning bylaw for registered medical marijuana dispensaries... Seven

community preservation projects were approved in a single motion, including \$50,000 to restore the pavilion at Lawrence Wharf and \$11,000 for signage and new benches to commemorate the town's upcoming 400th anniversary of Captain John Smith landing in Cohasset Harbor. Voters

also approved a \$65,000 study for the proposed restoration of Town Hall,

which was built in 1857 and last renovated in 1987.

Marijuana dispensaries OK'ed

Town Meeting has spoken on the pot issue – in favor of medical marijuana distribution centers in town. Registered medical marijuana dispensaries (RMDs) are now a possibility in Cohasset – albeit highly restricted.

The Monday, April 28 Annual Town Meeting vote to approve RMDs came after a one-year moratorium on the matter, placed by the April 2013 Town Meeting. After the

months after he started working. A liquor license hearing was scheduled for the Tuesday, May 6 Board of Selectmen meeting; however, the board learned that the inn's newest general manager, John Cowden, quit that same day.

"He walked in earlier and resigned," said Town Manager Chris Senior.

Cowden was brought in to work at the inn following frequent turnover in management... With no one to appoint as license holder, Red Lion Inn owner Gerd Ordelheide suggested employee John Murray, be appointed as a temporary manager, until a new GM can be hired.

Kennedy, McCarthy top Koed in selectmen's race

It was a hard-fought race, and candidates, voters, and poll watchers all gathered to hear the results of an exhausting Election Day (Saturday, May 10). A group of around 50 people gathered at the back of the Town Hall auditorium and theater to listen as Town Clerk Carol St. Pierre read the results, waiting anxiously to hear which "players" would be taking the stage.

A hush fell over the crowd as the winners of the three-way Board of Selectmen's race were revealed. Newcomer Kevin McCarthy and incumbent Diane Kennedy came out on top, besting incumbent and current chairman Fred Koed.

Kennedy garnered the highest number of votes, with 1455, while Koed pulled in 900 votes. This will be Kennedy's second three-year term; Koed was running for his sixth. McCarthy, an attorney who resigned his post as Governance Committee chair when he announced his campaign for selectmen, won 1245 votes, the second highest of the three selectmen candidates.

Wigmore, who shared that he recently turned 50, said he has been helping his father, Steve, with Memorial Day "since I was a little kid."

Over the years, the event evolved from a single parade to a week of activities around town.

"It's gotten bigger and better," said Wigmore, allowing more time to honor veterans. "Instead of one day, they get the whole week – that's how it should be."

Chris Senior's first months in Cohasset

If your ancestors came to America on the Mayflower, there's a good chance you're related to Cohasset's Town Manager Chris Senior.

Senior, who hails from Long Island but traces his family roots back to Massachusetts, is a descendant of three pilgrims who sailed on the Mayflower: William Bradford, Thomas Rogers, and Richard Warren.

The town manager, who started working in Cohasset in January, recently shared his love of history and exploring his family's origins with the Historical Society. Like many

Tuesday's Selectmen's meeting ended with what could be described as an assault on the First

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EDITORIAL

The Old Man and The Kid

For an entire year, as he watched what went on in the world around him, the Old Man had tried to figure it out.

Starting when he was a Kid, he read the books of more years than he could count, hoping for some kind of explanation. Yet here he was, just hours from the time when a new Kid would arrive and his time here would only be what was written in his book, and he still hadn't figured out the answer to the question that had vexed him so long.

"Why do people hate?"

Granted, some of it he understood. Someone does something awful to someone, person hates them for it (even if the original awful thing was caused by a hate he couldn't understand). But in all his research, what he couldn't figure out was why people would choose to hate based on gender, or race, or nationality, or religion, or political beliefs, or sexual orientation or any of the other reasons people have hated down through the years and still do today.

Not only did he find it illogical—and childish, he often thought, if it didn't often have very adult consequences—but it seemed to the Old Man that hatred would be *hard*. After all, not only would a person have to come up with some reason to hate an entire group of people, it would require a tremendous amount of discipline to maintain that hatred even when encountering someone who doesn't fit whatever it is about the mold that leads to the hate in the first place. And how angry does a person

have to be to look at life that way? Wouldn't it have to be mentally, if not physically, exhausting?

Of course, the Old Man also saw lots of people who hated groups of people they had never met, and might never meet, which seemed even more bizarre.

"Wouldn't it be actually easier to love, or at least to be kind?" the Old Man thought. "Isn't that the natural human instinct, as opposed to hate, which people have to learn? After all, no one is born hating someone else."

Frustrated, the Old Man stopped thinking about it. He realized that if he wasn't going to figure it out by now, it wasn't going to come to him in his last few moments. Instead, he looked out at all the people celebrating, and allowed his mind to wander to all the good he had seen, the kindnesses he had witnessed, the joy he had encountered. It was important for him to remember those, too.

Before he knew it, it was almost time. In spite of it all, the Old Man hoped people would look on him kindly, and know that he had done his best. He had no idea what he was getting into when he was a Kid, but from what he could tell, no Kid ever had. He hoped things would turn out better for his successor.

And then the Old Man heard a noise. At first it was far away, but then it got closer and closer, and it sounded like it was coming straight for his door.

Then he realized who it was. It was The Kid.

It was time to go.

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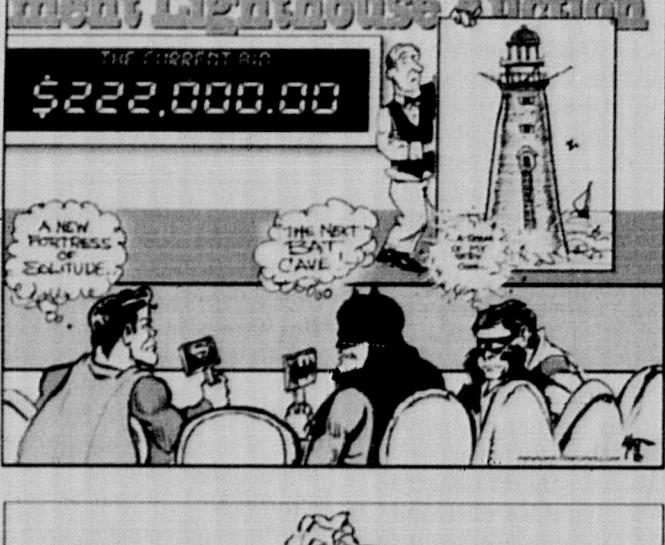
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Mat Brown's cartoons told Cohasset's story



PRESCHOOL

Community Center Nursery School signups

The South Shore Community Center Nursery School announces applications for the 2015-2016 are available at the Nursery School and the Community Center offices. All families on the South Shore are eligible to apply. The registration process is based on a lottery system.

All applications are due back to the Nursery School Office by Jan. 31. Included in the envelope should be a copy of the child's birth certificate and a \$100 registration fee. Application envelopes should be clearly

marked "Nursery School Registration." The lottery will be drawn the week of Feb. 1, and acceptance letters will be sent via mail the following week.

South Shore Community Center Nursery School offers three levels of programs to meet the needs of children age's 3 to 5. The morning programs run from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Afternoon programs are from 12:30 to 3 p.m. There are many extended day options for children enrolled in our school including lunch bunch, yoga, art, gym,

computer and sports.

Our youngest program, The Nursery Program is for children who will be three years old by Nov. 1. The Pre-Kindergarten Program is for children who will be four by Nov. 1. We also offer a very special Enrichment Program for those children who have already had two years of school. This program is designed for older fours and fives whom are looking for a challenging year before they enter kindergarten.

Our Nursery School has observation mirrors in each classroom so please feel free to call the 781-383-0036 to set up a tour to see all of the wonderful things that occur in our program. If you have any questions or would like to set up an appointment to meet the director, call Ann Madden at 781-383-0036. The director can also be reached by e-mail at amadden@southshorecommunitycenter.com.

The South Shore Community Center Nursery School is licensed by The Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care and is located at 3 North Main Street in Cohasset Village.

JAN. 13

Community Center annual meeting

In accordance with Article V, Section I of the bylaws, notice is hereby given to the members of the South Shore Community Center, Inc. that the Annual Meeting

will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015 at 7 p.m. at 3 North Main St., Cohasset. Only active members shall be entitled to vote.

TOP 10

Newsmakers and shakers of 2014

The people and issues that made waves this year

By Erin Dale
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Here at the Mariner, we like to think of Cohasset as a small town with a big personality, which makes for some big news stories each year. Here is a list of just some of the year's biggest headline makers...

Town Manager Chris Senior

Chris Senior started his career in Cohasset with a bang – or, rather, a blizzard. Just a few weeks before officially starting his new position, Senior drove all the way from his former community in Long Island to see how Cohasset would fare in the first winter storm of 2014. It's been a "whirlwind" for Senior ever since. The Town Manager, who previously spent 10 years as deputy town supervisor in North Hempstead, N.Y., now has one year in Cohasset under his belt – which includes two Town Meetings (the spring Annual and fall Special); Memorial Day, Fourth of July, 9/11 and Veterans' Days ceremonies; the annual summer Arts Festival; and the town's first ever holiday "Festival of Lights" tree lighting and luminary walk.

Senior also tackled his first Cohasset Fiscal Year budgets, coming to town in the middle of FY15 budget planning, closing out FY14 in the summer, and starting work on FY16 this winter.

Despite starting in a snowstorm, Senior, with his calm demeanor, has assured in a quieter era in Cohasset – Board of Selectmen meetings now run shorter and more smoothly. "They've gone from must-see TV to watching sheep," Senior joked with the Mariner last week. "But that's fine with me."

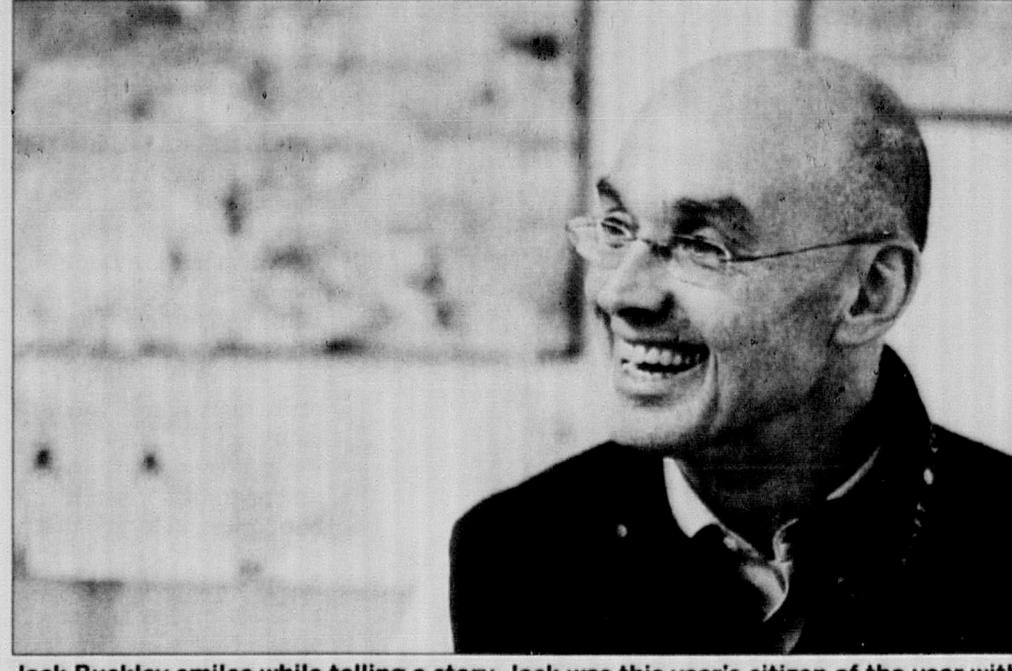
Jack Buckley

Perhaps no one was more surprised to be named the Cohasset Mariner Citizen of the Year than Jack Buckley.

In keeping with a 21-year tradition recognizing an individual for outstanding service to the community or a special achievement – the Cohasset Mariner, with the help of a selection panel, chooses someone in town to receive this top honor.

Buckley, a 56-year-old high school teacher and director of the Center for Student Coastal Research (CSCR), was a natural choice for the 2014 Citizen of the Year.

Buckley is known for running an organization that has put Cohasset on the map when it comes to student involvement in local harbors, coastlines, and waterways. The teacher, with an energy matched only by the youngsters he teaches,



Jack Buckley smiles while telling a story. Jack was this year's citizen of the year with his work with the Cohasset Maritime Institute and the Cohasset Center for Student Coastal Research (CSCR). WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO BY ROBIN CHAN

is about as congenial a person as one could meet. He loves to laugh, he loves where he lives, his family, teaching at CHS and his work at CSCR.

Carsten Haber, a board member of CSCR, told the Mariner in March that whereas many people have helped in ensuring the success of CSCR as an educational and environmentally active facility, Jack is the one that started it all with his vision, foresight and determination.

"It should be mentioned that running a non-profit organization over more than a decade is not an easy undertaking with much work behind the scenes such as recruiting an active board of directors, establishing rules and fiscal requirements and keeping it all together – which Jack did so outstandingly in his amicable and assertive way," Haber said.

The Wigmore family

Year after year, Cohasset shows strong support for its veterans, with several ceremonies and events – including a Memorial Day remembrance that lasts for a whole week, the Healing Field's spectacular flag display, an annual Rusty Skippers Concert at the Veterans Memorial Park, and special receptions and breakfasts for veterans at the George H. Mealy American Legion Post 118.

These traditions have been going strong in Cohasset for decades, but none of it would be possible without the hard work of the Wigmore family.

Husband and wife team Tom and Deirdre Wigmore, who respectively head up the Sons of the American Legion and the Women's American Legion Auxiliary, have been spearheading the celebration for years. Tom's father, Steve, is the commander of the Legion Post 118.

Town officials continually praise Tom's efforts, and this year Deirdre was also recognized by winning a Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Excellence in Service award for her work with the women's Auxiliary.

Michael and Michele Hubley

Another Cohasset couple that's a force to be reckoned with: Michael and Michele Hubley, who together helm the Cohasset Farmers' Market all growing season-long. Michael manages the market itself while Michele is president of the Friends of the Cohasset Farmers Market.

When it comes to leading a healthy, "locavore" lifestyle, the Hubleys really walk their talk, living and eating farm-to-table, even at home. The Hubleys live on a farm on King Street, where they grow most of their own produce, and have together revitalized the longstanding Cohasset Farmers Market, which will enter its 19th season this coming summer.

Rob Forde

A big guy with a big heart: that might be the best way to describe Cohasset firefighter Rob Forde, a lieutenant paramedic who finds joy in helping others. Forde spearheads the Cohasset Fire Department's Fill-The-Boot drives benefitting the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) and can be seen throughout the summer running Touch-A-Truck events in the parking lots of Stop and Shop or the South Shore Music Circus.

This year, Forde gave back even more by helping a Braintree teen suffering from muscular dystrophy; when the Music Circus donated concert tickets to 16-year-old Karelle Reid this summer, Forde got the fire department to pitch in with a \$150 gift card so Reid and her guests could round on their night on the town with dinner after the concert.

Forde delivered the gift card to Reid in person, in her own living room. The firefighter made another charitable house call this past fall, along with Fire Chief Rob Silvia, Elder Affairs Director Coral Grande, and Town Nurse Mary Goodwin, as part of the town's new "Cohasset Cares: Senior Safe" program. Together, the group has been performing

safety checks on senior citizens' homes, installing complimentary smoke detectors and making other improvements to decrease health and safety hazards.

"We have a whole checklist we put together," Forde said in November, which involves asking seniors, "What makes your life easier?

"As long as we leave the house in a safer condition than when we went in – mission accomplished," said Forde.

Torey Hart

Cohasset High School alum Torey (Class of 2009) is another Cohasset resident with a whole lot of 'Hart.'

The 24-year-old recently returned from a Peace Corps mission to Liberia, which has been hit hard by the Ebola crisis. After spending two months working as a high school biology teacher, Hart was forced to evacuate – along with 400 other Peace Corps volunteers serving in West Africa.

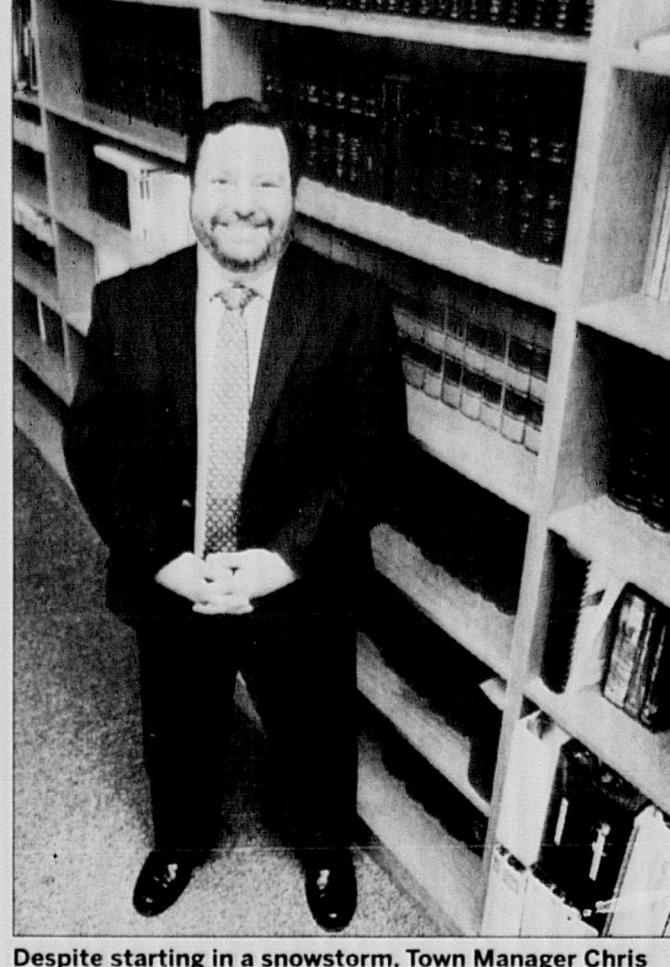
Once safely back in the states, Hart was not one to sit around. She quickly organized a meal-packaging event, mobilizing over 50 volunteers to work together on a Saturday morning at Beechwood Church in Cohasset, packing 16,000 meals of African staple foods – beans and rice – to send to Liberia.

With a goal of raising \$2500 to pay for 2,500 meals – at 0.25 cents per meal – Hart asked folks to donate to End Hunger New England and Outreach Inc., and ended up far exceeding her goal.

Hart said the meals would arrive in Liberia "right in time for Christmas."

The young woman from Cohasset clearly has a heart for Africa, and plans to return later this year, this time to the southeast. Hart accepted a new Peace Corps assignment in Malawi.

And while the 2013 University of Rhode Island graduate never planned on a teaching career, she will once again find herself at the head of a classroom in Malawi, and looks forward to helping students work



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toward bright, successful futures. "You realize what you're doing will make a huge difference in their lives," she said.

CHS football team

The Cohasset Skippers made last year's "Newsmakers and shakers" list, and do so again this year for good reason: Last year marked the football team's first-ever Division VI championship game at Gillette Stadium. The boys played against Littleton High and lost 52-35, yet still celebrated an unforgettable season.

This year, the boys were back – not only did they make their way back to Gillette Stadium, but this year, they came out on top, as Super Bowl champions for the first time in the team's history. Even better, they bested the team that beat them last year, trouncing Littleton 35-22.

This victory was especially significant, said co-captain Matt Froio, because it marked the school's 100th year of the football program.

Congratulations to the Skippers, once more, for their winning season!

Captain John Smith

This year, Cohasset marked the 400th anniversary of the European discovery of Cohasset. Captain John Smith sailed into Cohasset Harbor and came face to face with the town's native peoples, the Quanohassit Indian tribe. Although Smith's stay was brief – his encounter with the natives was not exactly friendly – he added Cohasset to his nautical map of New England, dubbing it "London."

In an effort to acknowledge both the navigator and Cohasset's first inhabitants, the Historical Commission launched a sub-committee to plan a town-wide celebration of Smith's landing. Captain John Smith Day was held on Saturday, Sept. 13 and featured speeches and commendations from local and state officials, a

dance and bread-baking demonstration by Native American interpreters, and Captain John Smith himself – played by resident Joe Hamilton Cohasset – sailing into Cohasset Harbor.

The Community Preservation Committee also funded a renovation of the Lawrence Wharf Pavilion, built 100 years ago around the time of the 300th Smith landing anniversary, and added new signage and a bronze plaque to commemorate both Smith and the Quanohassit tribe.

Man's best friend

Dogs are "having a moment" in Cohasset. Between service dogs, paid for by grants from charity organizations like the Cohasset Working Dog Foundation, and talks of dog parks, Cohasseters can't seem to get enough of their furry friends. Stay tuned in 2015 to see if a dog park comes to town – officials say it's just a thought, for now – and in the meantime, give your own companion animals a much-deserved pat.

Green juice

Another trend that hit Cohasset this year – big time – is juicing. While there was already one juice bar in town – Lido Juice on Ripley Road – this year, not one but two new juice joints opened up shop: The Daily Press in the Old Colony Square Plaza on Route 3A opened in July. Later, The Green Light took over the former home of the Windsor Tea Shop in the James Brook Crossing Center on Pleasant Street.

What better way to toast the New Year – and make some new year's health resolutions – than with a shot of wheat grass?

Cheers to a new year! We look forward to continuing to chronicle Cohasset happenings.

Follow reporter Erin Dale on Twitter @ErinDaleMariner.

COMMENTARY

All aboard for weekend train trips on the MBTA

By Richard Prone

After a two-year hiatus, weekend and holiday trains are rolling again along the MBTA's Greenbush line. With eight roundtrips per day on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, the trains offer a comfortable 43-minute ride to and from Cohasset and South Station.

Cohasset weekend and holiday departures for South Station:

■ Depart Cohasset at 7:29 a.m., 9:44, 11:22, 12:34 p.m., 2:23, 4:09, 6:44, and 9:44

South Station weekend and holiday departures for Cohasset:

■ Depart South Station at 8:05 a.m., 9:45, 11:03, 12:55 p.m., 2:45, 5:10, 8:00, and 10:55

For complete Greenbush line schedules, visit the MBTA website at mbta.com.

Some little known fare facts about commuter rail are that children under 12 ride free, while seniors pay half-price, proving once more that it pays to grow old! Also, you can buy your roundtrip tickets on the train without a surcharge from the conductor. And, all you monthly pass holders out there: For the first time in two years, you'll be able to use your passes seven days a week instead of five.

Parking is \$4 per day. If you don't have a T parking app, bring some dollar bills with you to take part in the time-honored tradition of stuffing four bucks into the collection slot that bears your numbered space. Don't worry if you can't figure it out; you won't get towed, and the worst that can happen is you'll have a note on your car that you owe \$5, with instructions where to send it.

Whether you're taking the kids to the Children's Museum or the Aquarium (both short walks from South Station), you may find that the train ride is the favorite part of their day,

especially if they sit upstairs in one of the new double-decker cars. And, if you really want to get adventurous, walk up to Downtown Crossing (eight minutes) and board an Orange Line train for Legoland in Somerville. Detrain at the brand new Assembly station and you're there. Reservations are recommended.

Going to Logan? It's never been easier than on commuter rail. At South Station, take the down escalator, and buy a \$5 Charlie card, then go down another flight of stairs (or use the elevator if you have luggage) to hop a new Silver Line electric bus which operate every 10-15

minutes or so. They'll drop you off right at your terminal, and it's FREE returning from the airport to South Station.

In about six weeks, the same coalition of residents and legislators who convinced the MBTA to bring this service back will again be working with the T to adjust the spring schedule to include an 11:30 p.m. train out of Boston. With this later train, we'll finally be able to enjoy Red Sox games, concerts, and plays while leaving our cars a short distance from home. All aboard!

—Richard Prone served

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on the Old Colony and Greenbush Citizens Advisory Committees, and is a retired Amtrak and commuter rail locomotive engineer.

2014 YEAR IN REVIEW

Baker's victory tops press corps' list of top stories

By Matt Murphy
STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

The tragedy of last year's unanimous top story — the Boston Marathon bombings — was replaced by a near unanimous one of personal political redemption in 2014, as Beacon Hill readies to watch Gov. Deval Patrick leave office after eight years and Republican Charlie Baker take over.

The following are the top 10 political stories of 2014, as ranked by Massachusetts state government reporters and scored based on cumulative points:

10 MINIMUM WAGE

Among all the policy debates on Beacon Hill this past year, few had as clear-cut and immediate impact on the lives of working residents in Massachusetts as the back-and-forth over the minimum wage. Knowing that activists planned to take the issue to the ballot if the Legislature didn't act, the House and Senate came together to enact the first increase in the minimum wage since 2008. They voted to raise the rate incrementally over the next three years from \$8 an hour to a nation-leading \$11 an hour in 2017. Along the way, proponents of linking future wage increases to inflation lost out, while some business groups warned the hike could hurt job creation. The state will find out if they were right soon enough. The first increase to \$9 an hour goes into effect on Jan. 1.

9 NEWCOMER KNOCKS OFF TIERNEY

U.S. Rep. John Tierney's 18-year career in Washington was ended by an upstart former Marine from Salem named Seth Moulton. The upset made Tierney Massachusetts' first incumbent congressman since 1996 to lose re-election. Tierney, a Democrat, was actually one of the last newcomers to knock off an incumbent when he defeated Republican Peter Torkildsen the same year Rep. Jim McGovern bested Republican incumbent Peter Blute. But after

surviving a stiff Republican challenge in 2012 at the height of his vulnerability after a scandal involving his brother-in-law and off-shore gambling, Tierney fell to a fellow Democrat. Moulton, a 36-year-old former Marine with a physics degree from Harvard, rocketed from obscurity and is now being looked at potentially as one of the future leaders of the Democratic Party in a polarized Congress.

8 ROSENBERG'S WOBBLY RISE TO POWER

It was two summers ago when Senate Majority Leader Stanley Rosenberg, an Amherst Democrat, made a decisive move to sew up the support of a majority of his colleagues and declared himself the Senate president-in-waiting. Yet once that was over, Rosenberg faded back into his role as top advisor to Senate President Therese Murray, doing little over the course of the past year to upstage or undermine her leadership, which after eight years is winding to an end. As his expected rise to power became more imminent, Rosenberg began to quietly hold meetings with fellow senators and advocates seeking advice, input and feedback about how he might lead the Senate and where he should put his focus in the new year. Then came the headlines over the past several weeks that have given Rosenberg his first challenge. Driven by reporting in the Boston Globe, Rosenberg's relationship with his younger boyfriend Bryan Hefner has come under scrutiny after Hefner was reported to be behind a Twitter feed that mocked Murray, and other senators privately complained that Hefner was involving himself into Senate business. So far, Rosenberg's supporters have held firm, with the vote to make him president scheduled in Jan. 7.

7 PATRONAGE ON TRIAL

For nearly three months from May through July, Beacon Hill functioned with one eye and one ear



Charlie Baker and Karyn Polito celebrate their primary victory in September before claiming victory in the November General Election over Martha Coakley and Steve Kerrigan. AP PHOTO

closely attuned to the happenings in federal district court where former Probation Commission John O'Brien and two of his former deputies were on trial for running a corrupt patronage hiring scheme. A jury convicted O'Brien of racketeering, conspiracy to commit racketeering and mail fraud charges, for which he was sentenced by the judge to 18 months in prison — actually a short stay compared to the maximum he could have received. Elizabeth Tavares and William Burke III received lesser sentences for their roles, with Tavares sentenced to three months, and Burke given a year of probation. The trial, which can trace its roots back to a 2010 and an independent investigator's report on patronage in the Probation department, was watched closely as much for the details of the hiring scheme as for the potential blowback on elected officials. The investigation and trial have led to new hiring practices in state government.

6 HEALEY A RISING STAR

The 2014 elections had many storylines and personalities, but one of the undisputed stars to emerge from the election was Attorney General-elect Maura Healey. The former assistant attorney general, who left her job to run her first campaign for public office, is now poised to become the first openly gay state attorney general in the United

States. Healey started her campaign as a political unknown, but quickly energized voters on her way to a primary thumping of well-known former state senator Warren Tolman, who had the institutional backing and support from people like Gov. Deval Patrick that led many to think he was a lock. Healey went on to easily defeat Republican John Miller in the general election, and will now succeed her former boss Attorney General Martha Coakley. Which brings us to Coakley, who ran and lost for governor, but deserves credit now for something she did win — the Democratic primary.

5 DCF AND JEREMIAH OLIVER

Institutional failings at the Department of Children and Families made headlines through the year, stemming from the case of a 5-year-old from Fitchburg, Jeremiah Oliver. He went missing in the fall of 2013 only to be found dead in April on the side of a highway in Sterling. Subsequent reports and independent investigations found severe management lapses at the agency as caseworkers assigned to the Oliver family failed to engage in the types of proper oversight and family visits required. The Oliver case led to the forced resignation of DCF Commissioner Olga Roche and sparked heated debates over policy and funding as Gov. Deval Patrick tried to

improve the management and provide additional resources to reduce caseloads for social workers.

4 THOMAS MENINO, 71

The "urban mechanic," who just last year opted against running for a fifth term as Boston's mayor, passed away after a battle with cancer. Thomas Michael Menino, who was settling into a life of retirement after 20 years running City Hall by working at Boston University and penning a memoir, announced in March that he was battling an advanced form of cancer. Coming just days before the election in November, Menino's death shocked the city and the state. In the days that followed, candidates halted their campaigns, throngs of well-wishers waited in line at Faneuil Hall to say thank you and a televised funeral with a guest list meticulously crafted by Menino himself to include everyone from former aides to Vice President Joe Biden allowed a grieving capital city to say goodbye to its mayor.

3 CASINOS

Once again casinos have cracked into the list of top stories for the year on two fronts. Three years after lawmakers approved expanded gambling in Massachusetts, the

Gaming Commission this year handed out the first licenses. MGM Springfield, the lone qualified applicants in western Massachusetts, walked away with the first resort casino license, while the battle for a license in Greater Boston proved a bit more contentious. After voters in East Boston rejected Suffolk Downs bid for a casino, the owners of the horse-racing track moved quickly to put together a new bid with Mohegan Sun for a casino solely on track property in Revere. But with Las Vegas mogul Steve Wynn promising a glitzier resort with more and higher paying jobs, the license went to Wynn Resorts and its proposal for a casino on the Mystic River in Everett. One more major hurdle for developers remained — the voters of Massachusetts.

2 CONNECTOR WEB WOES

The state rolled out its first health exchange website as part of the Affordable Care Act in the fall 2013 — just in time to make last year's list of top stories when the site built by contractor CGI failed to adequately function as a portal for residents to purchase health insurance. The fallout from the IT failure became a major storyline for the following year, as Gov. Deval Patrick's team severed ties with the contractor, hired new web developers, and raced to build a new site that went live in November. All told a \$174 million project turned into a \$254 million exercise, with the state's share climbing from \$16 million to \$42 million. And that's not counting the potential costs of keeping consumers enrolled in coverage while the site was rebuilt, which is now being eyed as a potential driver of a major budget gap heading into 2015.

1 CHARLES DUANE BAKER

The runaway top story of the year is the rise of Charlie Baker and the return of bipartisan government to Beacon Hill. After eight years of Patrick, the governor did not run for a third term. That created an opening for Baker, who lost to Patrick in 2010, to run again. Campaigning as a new and improved candidate who felt that he did not do himself justice in his first campaign, Baker abandoned the "Had Enough?" mantra for a more forward-looking message and campaigned as a moderate who wanted to improve the management of state government, improve schools and invest in communities outside of Boston. The election of Baker has ushered in a wave of turnover on Beacon Hill and a lot of new/old faces with ties to previous Republican administrations.

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE: There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week.

This week, with the end of the 2013-2014 session approaching, Beacon Hill Roll Call continues its series that takes a look at some of the bills approved by the Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Deval Patrick in the 2013-2014 session.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (H 4377)

House 144-9, Senate 40-0, approved an economic development package that included a summer 2014 sales tax holiday allowing consumers to buy most products that cost under \$2,500 on Saturday, August 16, and Sunday, August 17, without paying the state's 6.25 percent sales tax.

Other provisions include \$2.5 million for loan guarantees to small businesses; \$10 million for brownfields redevelopment; \$2 million in the Talent Pipeline initiative that encourages students and young innovators to get a head start on their futures by matching stipends for internships at innovation startups; \$1.5 million for MassVentures to fund early-stage, high-growth startups in Massachusetts as they move from concept to commercialization; creation of a program to increase consumer demand and preference for local seafood products; and requiring a study of the possibility of Massachusetts hosting a major NASCAR event.

Supporters said the package bolsters the economy and creates jobs. They noted it encourages private sector investment, supports the manufacturing sector and expands economic opportunity beyond I-495.

Opponents said that government cannot fix the economy by throwing money at it. They said they favored proposals that would reduce taxes, cut regulations and create greater predictability for the business community.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill. A "No" vote is against it.)

\$1.9 BILLION ENVIRONMENTAL BOND BILL (H 4375)

House 151-2, Senate 39-0, approved a \$1.9 billion environmental bond package allowing the state to borrow funds to finance various environmental projects including \$75.7 million for water and air quality protection; \$48.8 million for the design, construction and repair or removal of municipally-owned dams and \$20 million for state-owned dams; \$30 million for the dredging of coastal public harbors; \$20 million for the acquisition of open space, recreation and conservation land; \$255.4 million for the construction and improvement of reservations, forests, parks, harbor islands and other recreational facilities; and \$312 million to improve the energy efficiency of state-owned facilities.

The package includes dozens of earmarks costing hundreds of millions of dollars proposed by individual legislators and designed to fund projects in their districts. The projects are actually more of a "wish list". The Patrick administration is required to adhere to the state's annual bond borrowing cap and ultimately decides which projects are affordable and actually get funded.

Supporters said this landmark environmental package is a fiscally responsible one that helps the state and local communities improve the environment. They argued it is fair and balanced and provides for important projects in all parts of the state.

Opponents said the package is loaded with unnecessary spending. They said the state already has the highest debt per capita in the nation and argued more borrowing will devastate our children's already debt-ridden future.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill. A "No" vote is against it.)

SUBSTANCE ABUSE (S 2142)

House 149-0, Senate 40-0, approved a law designed to remove barriers to treatment for individuals battling addiction. Provisions include removing prior-authorization requirements for outpatient substance abuse treatment and providing for coverage of up to 14 days in an inpatient setting; giving the Department of Public Health (DPH) new authority to reduce abuse of opioids and emergency scheduling powers to temporarily ban dangerous substances like bath salts; and requiring coroners to report overdose deaths to DPH and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Supporters said this groundbreaking law increases addicts' access to treatment and offers appropriate and effective treatment to patients at all levels of care. They pointed to the rising epidemic of substance abuse and addiction, which often leads to death.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill. A "No" vote is against it.)

INFO TECHNOLOGY (H 4355)

House 147-4, Senate 40-0, approved a \$929 million technology bond package including \$50 million to increase broadband service to homes and businesses in underserved areas in central and western Massachusetts; \$38 million for a matching grant program to help public schools improve student instruction through the use of information technology; \$65 million for technology improvements at the State Lottery; \$68.2 million to upgrade the State Police communications network; and \$5 million to improve wireless internet accessibility at the Statehouse.

Supporters said this helps bring the state's technology into the 21st century and makes state government a digital business. They argued the measure institutes reforms that will help protect taxpayers against expensive and broken IT projects and ensure that public schools implement technology upgrades to improve the state's education system.

Opponents said this additional spending is excessive and noted they have little confidence in the Patrick administration to appropriately manage IT projects in light of the \$600 million it has spent on the flawed Health Connector.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill. A "No" vote is against it.)

ASPERGER'S (H 4047)

House 151-0, Senate 39-0, approved a law to expand treatment and support for individuals with autism or a developmental disability. Provisions include creation of a tax-free savings account for autism and disability care that will allow all families of individuals with disabilities to save in a 529-style plan for expenses including education, housing and other services; giving public school special education teachers the option to attain an Autism Endorsement certification, a concentration in autism coursework and training that will prepare them to be leaders in their schools; expanded coverage for MassHealth recipients to help persons with autism spectrum disorders receive medically necessary treatments; requiring programs that provide residential or day care services and treatment for persons with a developmental disability to obtain a license from Department of Developmental Services (DDS); and requiring DDS to provide transportation for education, day care or treatment.

Supporters said this landmark legislation makes major strides to help meet the needs of the autism and developmental disabilities community. They said it increases access for thousands to education, job opportunities and developmentally appropriate programs.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

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YEAR IN REVIEW

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local residents, Senior is a proud member of the General Society of Mayflower Descendents as well as the Sons of the American Revolution.

JUNE

PARCC vs. MCAS: school board to vote

The Cohasset School Committee will decide whether to test-drive the new PARCC assessment standardized test next year instead of taking the MCAS.

According to Superintendent Barbara Cataldo, the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System test (MCAS) is being phased out across the state in favor of PARCC, which stands for Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers. The PARCC, which is online-based, is in line with state Common Core standards for math and English competency. Schools have the option to test drive PARCC for grades three through eight next spring in place of the MCAS. The school committee will vote on this at an upcoming meeting; Cataldo said they have until June 30 to decide whether to go with PARCC.

Tobacco sales: Still 18 to buy

The legal age to purchase tobacco is staying put in Cohasset.

The Cohasset Board of Health voted unanimously (3-0) to adopt tobacco regulations during the Tuesday, June 10 meeting, enacting a pharmacy ban (effective Jan. 1, 2015) restricting e-cigarettes, and keeping the legal purchasing age at 18, despite nearby towns like Scituate recently upping the age to 21... The health board members were weary to alter the purchasing age, however.

Elizabeth Kirk said, "While I recognize the merits of raising the age to 21, I don't feel like I'm in the position to stand in front of the town and say, 'This is what the town should do.'"

Robin Lawrence was against the proposed age hike as a matter of principle, since people can serve in the military at age 18.

"I still feel strongly about those young men and women put in harm's way at age of 18," said Lawrence, adding, "Five of our soldiers died today in Afghanistan; maybe three of them were smokers."

New town website on the way

Cohassetmass.org is about to look a little different.

By the end of this week, Cohasset could have a brand new town website. The old site has been given a facelift by the town's IT department, including Chief Technology Officer Rob Bonnell and IT assistant Ian Lyster. Lyster was on hand during the Tuesday, June 17 Board of Selectmen meeting to give a walkthrough of the website. The new and improved version could be ready to launch this week, said Town Manager Chris Senior.

Upgrading the town website has been on Senior's agenda since he started working in Cohasset in January. "We had some updating to do," he said, adding that this was something Bonnell had already started on prior to Senior's arrival. "The good news is a lot of work has been done behind the scenes... I have to thank Rob Bonnell for being ready."

Class of 2014 takes a bow

The sun was shining down on graduates as they filed into the Music Circus on Saturday, June 14 to celebrate the culmination of their school years. It was a picture-perfect day for a ceremony under the Big Top.

The boys in their blue robes and the girls in white, clutching yellow roses, were the perfect accompaniment for the sunny blue sky dotted with just a few clouds.

The 101 members of the Cohasset High School Class of 2014 appropriately dubbed themselves "One 'Four' the Ages," playing off of their graduation year.

Cohasset Triathlon: Team Emma gives it a 'tri'

It's a warm, sunny Monday afternoon on Sandy Beach, mere hours since school let out for the summer. Although the posted water temperature is a chilly 59 degrees, a group of junior high girls are about to make a splash in their bikinis.

Like the other beachgoers, the girls are ready for a fun day in the sun; but several of these pint-sized powerhouses are also about to become first-time triathletes – running, cycling and swimming to the finish line.

The all-girls Team Emma's Effort is 17 members strong. While not all of them will be racing in the Sunday, June 29 Cohasset Triathlon, each girl has helped raise funds for the event's charitable cause: type 1 juvenile diabetes. Thirteen-year-old Emma Stephens, for whom the team is named, was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes at eight years old.

Needle scare on Sandy Beach

Four-year-old Charlie was playing at Cohasset's Sandy Beach with his mom, Courtney Ness, two weeks ago when he picked up something that was not a shell, stick or toy. To his mom's horror, it was a needle.

Ness said the needle was dirty, and she feared it had been used to shoot heroin. Even though he didn't seem to get pricked, the two made a visit to the doctor to be on the safe side... Acting Police Chief William Quigley said that the needles that have been found were not necessarily used to shoot drugs. "We are not sure if it's medical waste that washed up or if a diabetic or IV drug user improperly disposed of it," Quigley said Tuesday. "At any rate, the good folks at Sandy Beach are on top of this and do sweeps of the beach every morning to remove dangerous items, including broken glass and sharp sticks."

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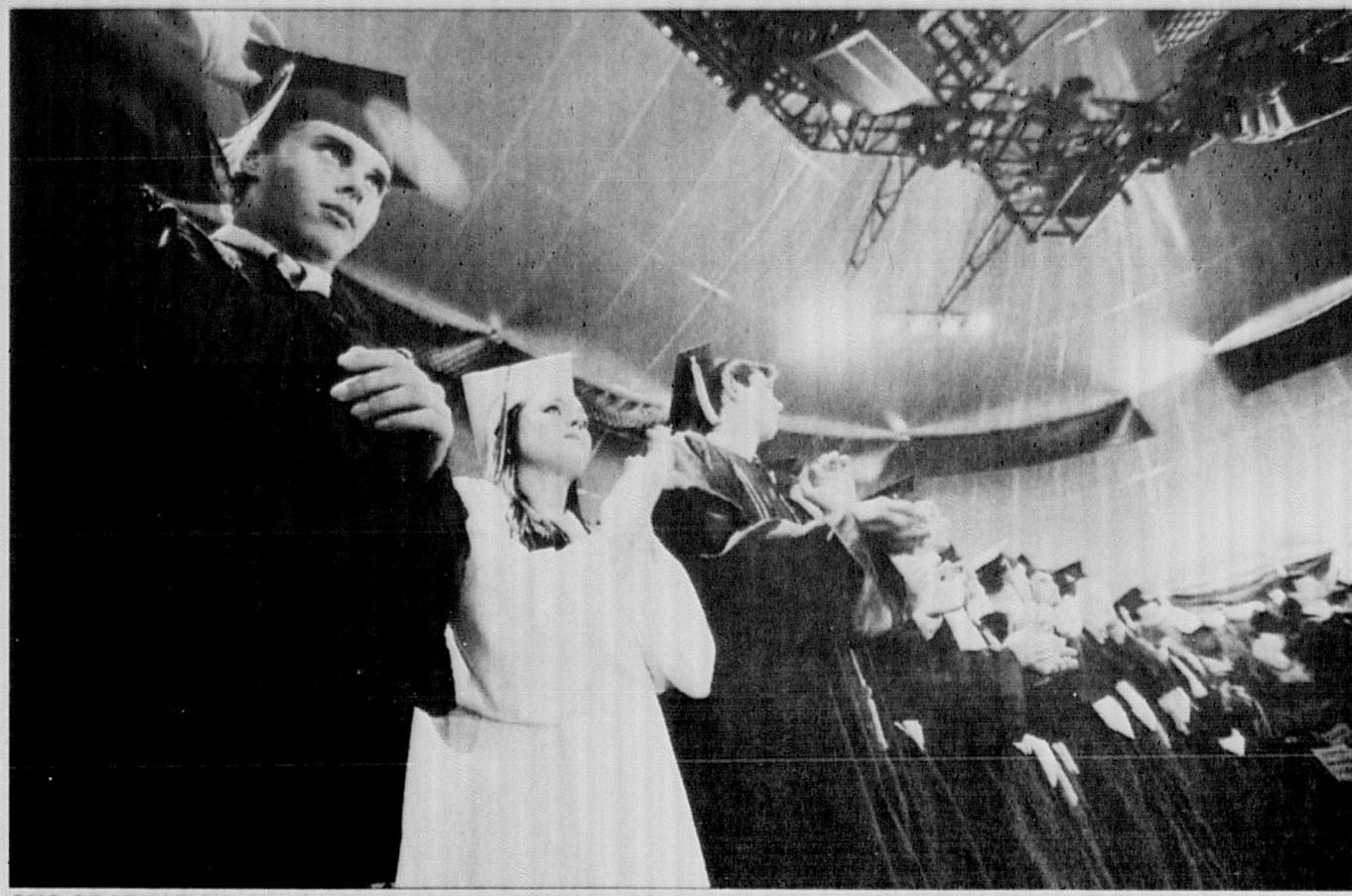
New healthy stop coming to Cohasset

When on the go, one can be "hard-pressed" to find fresh, healthy options. This is where the Daily Press comes to the rescue, offering an array of cold-pressed raw juices, smoothies and healthy salads, sandwiches and snacks.

The Daily Press is Cohasset's second juice bar, with Lido Juice opening in the village nearly two years ago. The Daily Press is located in the Old Colony Square Plaza along Route 3A, near the South Shore Athletic Club and commuter rail.

James Lane project parking problems

The Planning Board took on a proposed mixed-use townhouse



CHS GRADUATION: The students give a standing ovation to the retiring faculty members from the Cohasset School district at their graduation ceremony at the South Shore Music Circus on Saturday, June 14, 2014. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN PHOTO

development on James Lane during a continued public hearing on Wednesday night. The planners did not make any decisions on the proposed project from James Lane Partners LLC of Quincy, which would require a special permit. The hearing was continued to the August 13 meeting, with the board asking the developer to revise the current plan.

Planning Board chair Stuart Ivimey indicated throughout the hearing that the proposed plan does not conform to the town's village district zoning bylaw. Other members of the board agreed that the plans could use tweaking. The chief concern is parking. The four two-unit townhouses and one commercial unit are approximately 1500 square feet, with 20-foot driveways and approximately 31 feet between the buildings, measuring from garage face to garage face, according to engineer Scott Henderson of McKenzie Engineering.

Service dogs allowed

"Must love dogs" is not a mandate, but allowing service dogs in businesses, including restaurants, is required by law.

Per the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), service dogs are allowed to go anywhere their owner goes. This includes food establishments, hotels, movie theaters, sports complexes shopping malls, local retail stores and more. Business owners are not allowed to discriminate, or ask those with service dogs to leave or keep their companion animals outside.

Kids can take on their own 'Tri'

Every June, close to 1,000 athletes take the Cohasset Triathlon by storm, swimming, running and biking their way to victory.

Now, it's time for the kids to have a turn.

For the first time in Cohasset, Streamline Events is introducing a Junior Triathlon for the younger set, ages 6 to 14 (athletes must be at least 13 to compete in the "adult" Tri). The event is this Saturday, July 12 at the Cohasset Swim Center.

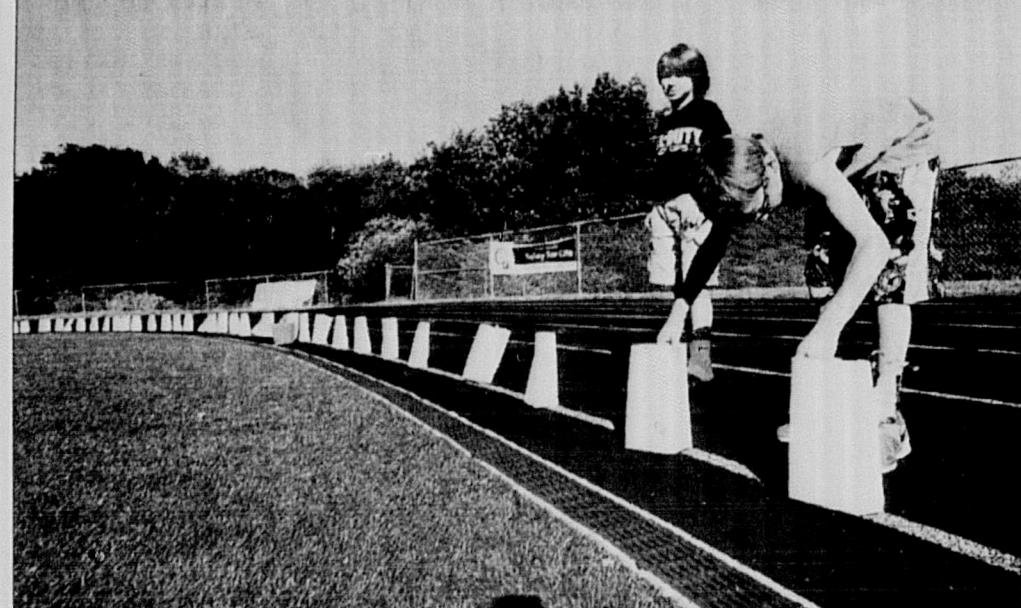
Harbor dredging: Sandy Beach easement granted

The Board of Selectmen voted unanimously (5-0) Tuesday night to approve a temporary easement from the Sandy Beach Association for harbor dredging by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) this fall.

The easement allows the USACE to access the Sandy Beach property and is only temporary, from Sept. 15, 2014 through Feb. 15, 2015. The



FARMERS MARKET: Sampling strawberries, Marcy Waters of Cohasset chats with Amanda Letoile of Frietas Farms at the ever-popular weekly Farmers Market on the common. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / CHRIS BERNSTEIN



RELAY FOR LIFE: Carter Boyle, 9, of Team Relai helps set the Luminaria back up after it was blown down by the wind while his friend Peter Vitello, 10, of Cohasset looks on. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN



COHASSET RECREATION: A horde of children clean a car during their car wash by Deer Hill School during the summer playground program sponsored by Cohasset Recreation. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN

dredging project is expected to start in October and end in January.

Senior Center construction work continues

If you drive past the future home of the Cohasset Senior Center at 91 Sohier St., you will notice a lot has changed since the site's groundbreaking in May.

With the construction project over halfway completed, the building is now fully framed, and drywall installation has begun. Rough plumbing, electrical, and heat have also been installed, while

exterior siding is currently being installed.

The new state-of-the-art, \$2.5 million, 8000 square-foot facility will house the Cohasset Elder Affairs. The project, spearheaded and funded by the Cohasset Social Service League (SSL) and private donations, is estimated to be complete by December 2014.

AUGUST

Heroin battle: Cohasset forms coalition

As the heroin epidemic sweeps the South Shore – there have been

five overdoses in Cohasset since January, one of which was fatal, according to Acting Police Chief William Quigley – town leaders are drumming up ways to address the issue.

New to town is a heroin coalition, spearheaded by Cohasset's Social Service League (SSL), which had its first meeting last Wednesday, July 23. Many other surrounding towns, including Quincy, have their own organizations focused on tackling the drug problem.

Cohasset was one of the few towns that did not have a coalition, when we

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SUPER TEAMS

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- Sean Davis, Sr., Norwell**
- Jacob Higgins, Sr., Pembroke**
- John Nguyen, Sr., Rockland**
- Gustavo Ribeiro, Jr., Rockland**
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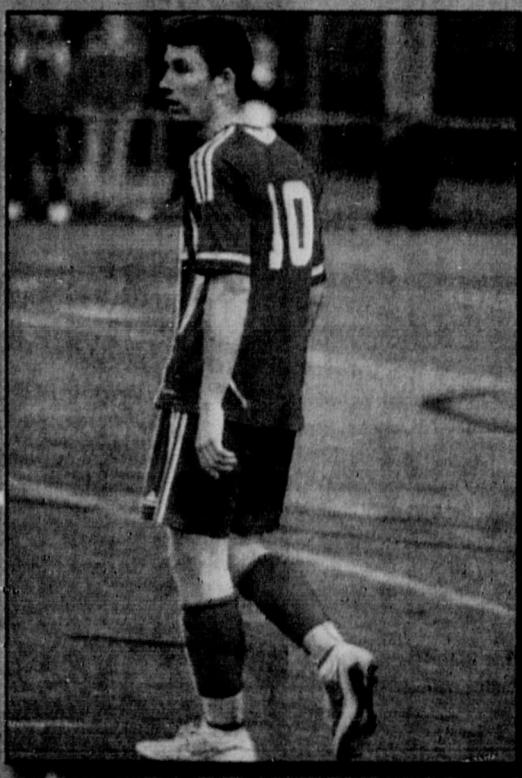
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- Mathias Loft, Soph., Cohasset**

- Liam O'Connell, Soph., Cohasset**
- Nick Kelsey, Jr., Hanover**
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Young Women in Sport Panel

On Sunday, Jan. 11 at the Derby Academy (56 Burditt Ave.) in Hingham, there will be a panel discussion about the value of athletics in women's lives.

Members on the panel include Team USA women's Olympic ice hockey coach Katey Stone, college men's and women's swimming coach Mel McLaughlin, former UCLA gymnast and sports broadcaster Maura Farden, Middlebury College women's lacrosse coach Missy Foote and former University of Virginia lacrosse player Whit Hagerman.

The discussion runs from 4-5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Tickets can be reserved by contacting youngwomenssport@gmail.com or by calling Mel McLaughlin (617-610-4759) or Bee Raymond (781-561-5268).

All proceeds will go to Young Women in Athletics and Moving Leaders Forward, a non-profit started by Raymond.

Warriors AAU Basketball Tryouts

The Boston Warriors AAU Basketball organization would like to announce the 2015 Spring tryouts. The Boston Warrior AAU Basketball Program is one of the strongest programs in New England. Last year we had 14 teams qualify for the AAU National Championships. But it is not all about going to the national Championships. We offer players of all talent level the possible opportunity to play competitive spring basketball. The size of each roster are kept manageable, we offer at least 6 tournaments in the spring and try to keep the price to play affordable. Most of all, we have provided very good coaching including a lot of skill work with real practices. This year we will offer multiple teams from 2nd grade to 12th grade.

All the tryouts will be held at Waltham High School. Below are dates and times for each age group.

Jan. 24 and Jan. 31:

2nd-3rd grades 3 p.m.; 4th grade, 3 p.m.; 5th grade, 4:30 p.m.; 6th grade, 6 p.m.; 7th grade, 6 p.m.; 8th grade, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 21-Feb. 28

9th grade, 6 p.m., 10th grade, 7:30 p.m., 11th and 12th grade, 7:30 p.m.

For potential change in tryout times and/or to pre-register for the tryouts, please visit our website at www.bostonwarriors.com

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YEAR IN REVIEW

NOTHING BUT SUCCESS IN TITLETOWN

Skippers win on field and off

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If there's one thing that can be said about Cohasset sports in 2014, it is that their legacy can be summed up in one word or another.

Call it titles, call it winning, call it success and any of those words work.

It isn't just the high school. There are wildly successful youth programs like Cohasset Youth Lacrosse, which has helped introduce the sport to a growing number of kids who later take that to the next levels in high school and beyond.

Baseball is also on the same level. Just look at the Youth Baseball program that had a prolific run this summer.

The SciCoh football program has built players who have found success at both Scituate and Cohasset High Schools, and a few kids who have done well along the private school route.

Still, if you are looking for the defining moments on



The victorious Cohasset Skippers hold their Division 3 state boys lacrosse championship trophy aloft as Head Coach James Beaudoin, left, looks on Saturday, June 14, 2014 at Boston University. The Skippers defeated the Dover-Sherborn Raiders 10-9 to win the title. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO / MIKE SPRINGER

the fields in 2014, you need to leave Cohasset and head to Boston University and Gillette Stadium, where the Skippers won State Championships in lacrosse and

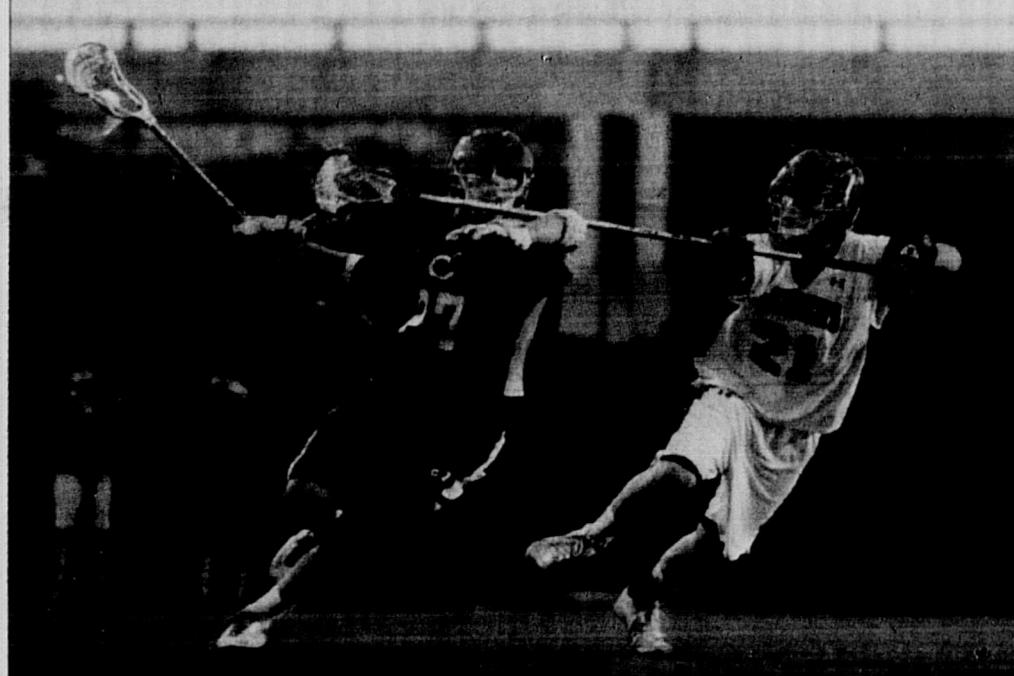
football. Let's also not forget an individual accomplishment as well, with Wake Forest bound Emma Davis winning her third straight Individual State Tennis title, a

feat that has never happened before. Matt Froio also won a wrestling State Championship as well.

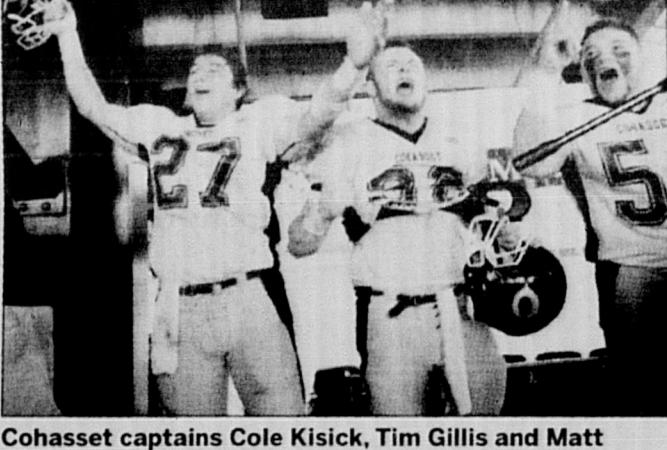
Many of the same players were on both teams, and

the basics were the same for both. Take a group of super hard working, athletic and intelligent young athletes,

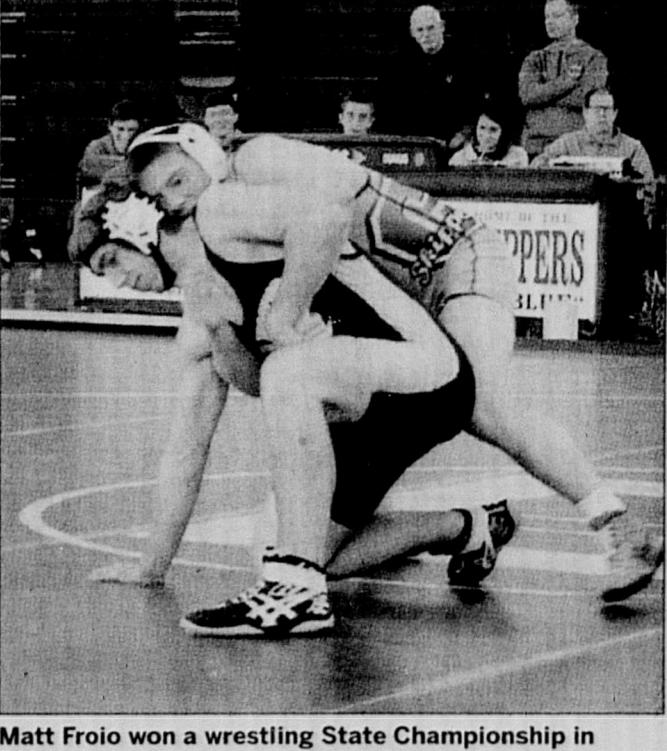
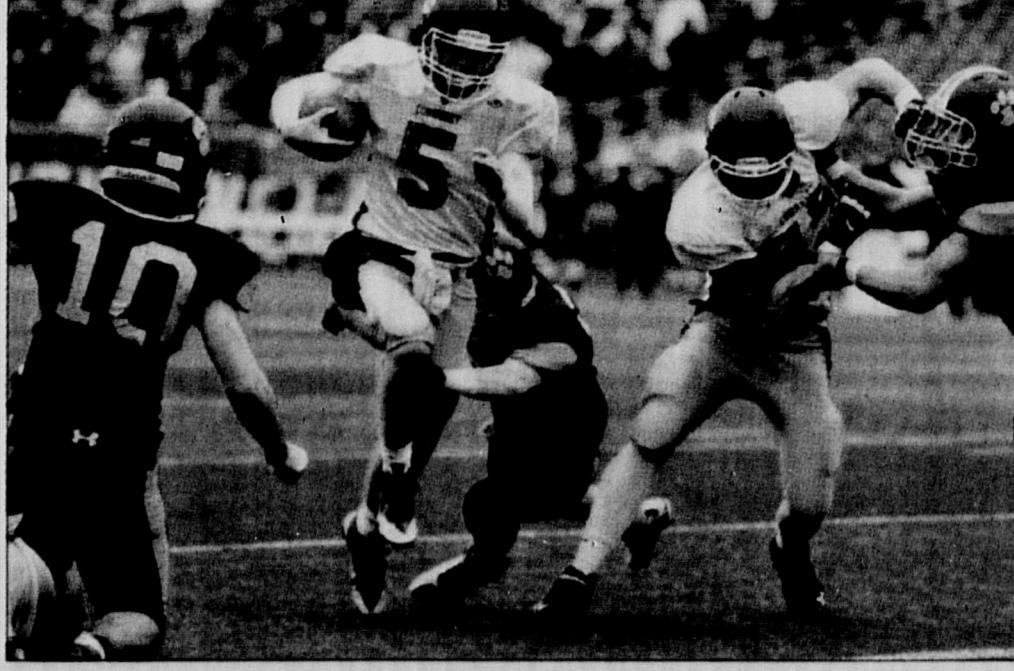
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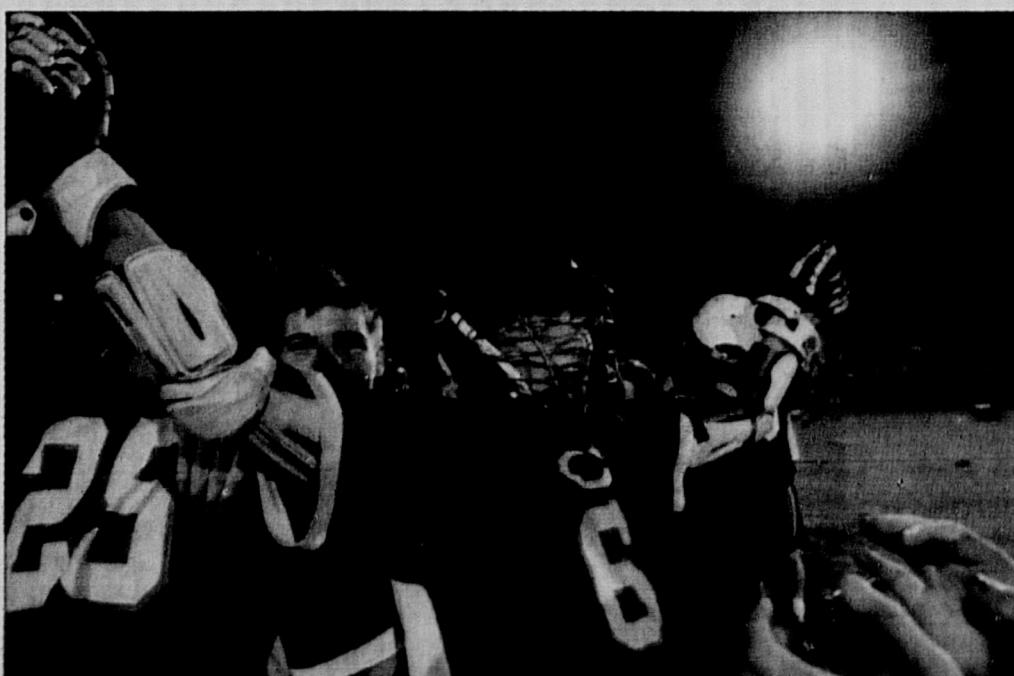
Despite strong defensive pressure from Dover-Sherborn's Chase Hyde, right, Cole Kissick of Cohasset winds up to fire the ball into the goal for the Skippers' sixth goal of the game during the Division 3 state boys lacrosse finals Saturday, June 14, 2014 at Boston University. Cohasset defeated Dover-Sherborn 10-9 to win the title. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO / MIKE SPRINGER



Cohasset captains Cole Kisick, Tim Gillis and Matt Froio celebrate the Super Bowl victory, Dec. 6 at Gillette Stadium. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO / GARY HIGGINS



Matt Froio won a wrestling State Championship in 2014. He was also on the football team that won the Super Bowl. COURTESY PHOTO



Emma Davis won yet another Individual State Championship in the spring. Davis won all three times she played and will forever be known as one of the greatest high school players ever in the state. COURTESY PHOTO

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Youth Lacrosse Registration

Registration for Cohasset Youth Lacrosse opened November 1.

Grades 1-2 play primarily in town at same time each weekend.

Grades 3-8 play in spring travel lacrosse leagues. (South Shore Lacrosse League - Girls' league and Town Pride League - Boys' league)

Be advised that after January 5 there will be a \$50 late fee and registration will close on January 16, 2015 due to league mandated roster submission and US Lacrosse registration deadline. For more information and to register visit www.cohassetlacrosse.com.

Winter Sports Schedule**FRIDAY, JAN. 2****Girls Basketball**

At Weston, 5 p.m.

Boys Basketball

Vs. Southeastern Reg., 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JAN. 3**Swimming**

Vs. Hingham (Lincoln Hancock Pool), 10:30 a.m.

Girls Hockey

Vs. Scituate, Randolph Ice Arena, 12:45 p.m.

Boys Hockey

Vs. East Bridgewater, Connell Rink, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JAN. 6**Boys Basketball**

Vs. Monomoy, 6:30 p.m.

Girls Basketball

At Monomoy, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 7

SUCCESS

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give them top notch coaching and support from the school, community and of course, parents, and room for success is much wider than any space for failure.

That is precisely what happened.

Boys lacrosse coach James Beaudoin joined the Skipper family two seasons back. In his first run, the Skippers lost in the championship game. Next time around - boom - champs.

Skipper football coach Pete Afanasiu and his staff had only been to the playoffs once, before the MIAA made some much needed changes to the football landscape and introduced a new playoff system in 2013.

The new system was perfect for the Skippers, and since it started they have gone to the Div. 6 Super Bowl both years.

In 2013, Cohasset met a runaway steamroller in

Littleton, and were run off the field.

A year later, Cohasset (led by Cole Kissick, who was fresh after missing most of the season to injury) was the runaway steamroller that flattened Littleton 35-22 on the way to the championship.

Not to be overlooked, every team that played fall sports in 2014 won their League Titles.

Boys soccer, girls soccer, field hockey, football and golf all won their leagues.

In the spring, the results weren't quite the same.

Every team didn't win their league, but did make the playoffs.

The success was enough that we at the Cohasset Mariner wrote not one, but two stories highlighting the outstanding success of the school's athletic fortunes.

In the winter, the boys basketball team won their league and made a terrific run deep into the playoffs.

The Skippers finished the season with 20 wins, a huge number in high school

basketball.

There was also a new entry, with the Hanover/Cohasset co-op ice hockey team played its first season as a varsity team and made it to the MIAA tournament, winning a game along the way.

The 2014/2015 season has also started on a high note for Skipper teams.

The wrestling team has had some solid matches and Matt Froio already has a Tournament Outstanding Wrestler credit to his name.

The boys basketball team started the season 4-0, and by the time this story goes to press could easily be 6-0.

The hockey team opened with a 2-0-1 record, and things are looking good all around.

For a look back at the year in sports, follow @cohasset_sports on Twitter and take a look at what went on all season.

—For the latest updates, follow Will Wassersug on Twitter @scifisportsguy



Cohasset girls celebrate a goal. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO / WILLIAM WASSERSUG



Cohasset's Meg Rosano rises up to settle the ball while trying to go on attack in their game against Norwell on Friday, September 5, 2014. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN



Cohasset's Henry Brown takes an off-balance jumper during the Quarter Final of the 2014 MIAA Boys Basketball South Division 4 played Thursday, February 27, 2014, at Cohasset High School. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO / K.A. MACDONALD



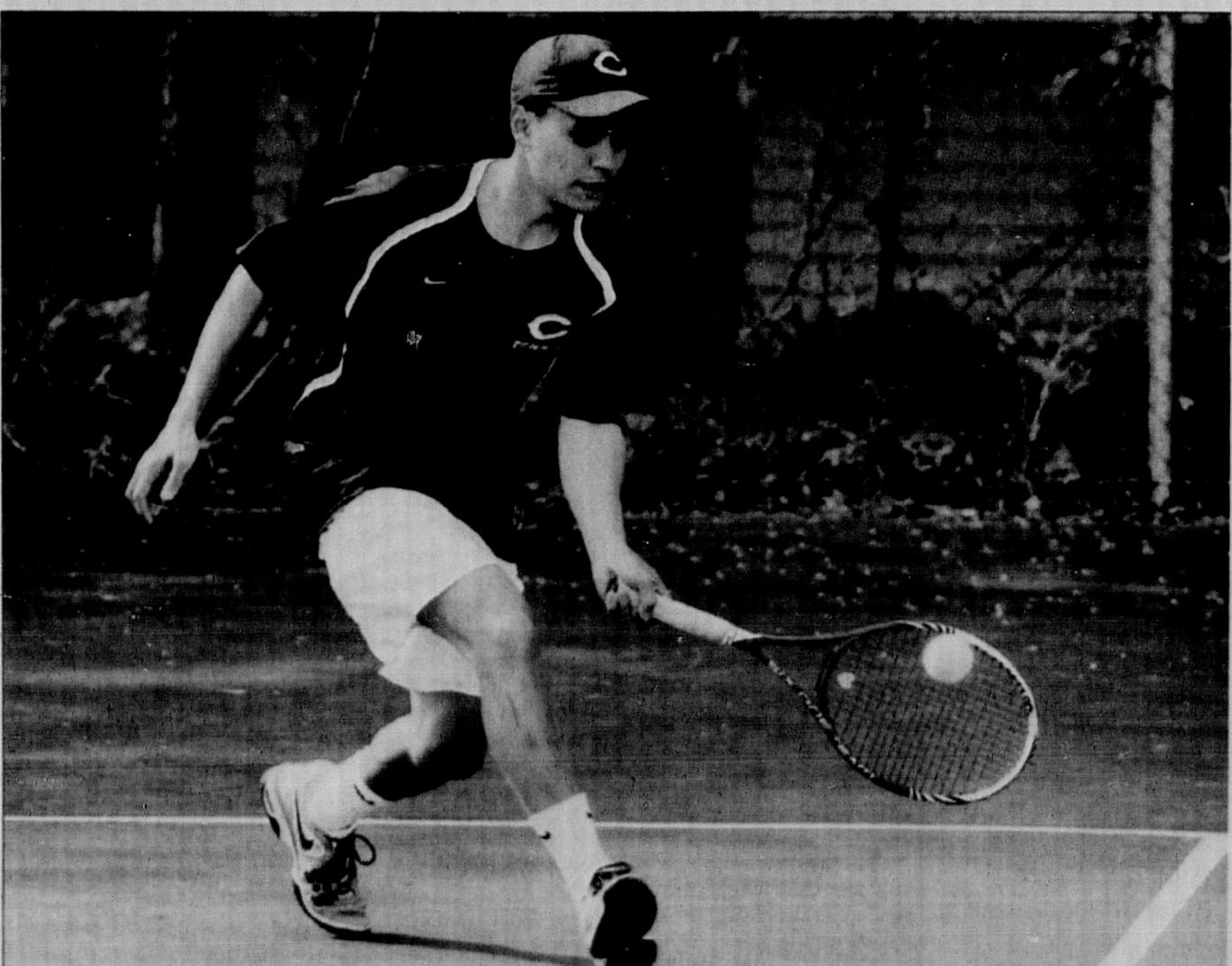
The baseball team celebrates a two-run homer during the spring. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO / WILLIAM WASSERSUG



Cohasset's Cole Joslin flies after a puck during a 5-2 win over Rockland at the Rockland Ice Rink last season. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO / WILLIAM WASSERSUG



Meg Rosano looks to pass as Taylor Frederick rushes during the Powder Puff Game. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO / WILLIAM WASSERSUG



Cohasset's Miles Morin reaches down for the lob during their game against Norwell. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN

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had people overdosing and dying," said Christine Murphy of the SSL, who is heading up the coalition, dubbed "Safe Harbor Cohasset."

Auction opens on Minot Light

The iconic "I Love You" lighthouse (nicknamed for its 1-4-3 flashing beacon) is up for auction for a starting bid of \$10,000.

The federal General Services Administration (GSA) is selling the lighthouse, officially titled Minots Ledge Light, in an effort to transfer stewardship of the historic structure. It is currently owned by the U.S. Coast Guard.

Dog problems in cemeteries

Officials are fielding complaints that the town cemeteries have gone to the dogs.

Board of selectmen chair Diane Kennedy said during Tuesday night's meeting that the selectmen's office has received multiple calls from a citizen complaining about dog walking in the cemeteries – and the walkers neglecting to clean up after their pets.

Selectman Kevin McCarthy suggested instituting a fine for those who violate a potential restriction on dog walking or fail to clean up after their pets. Kennedy noted that it would be tough to enforce.

"You can't legislate good taste and respect," Kennedy said.

SEPTEMBER

Cohasset Pizza is 40 and counting

Cohasset Pizza House – also known as Cohasset House of Pizza or CHOPS – marked 40 years in business.

Cohasset ready for Capt. Smith celebration

Plans for the town's 400th anniversary celebration of Captain John Smith landing in Cohasset are speeding along, with only two weeks to go until the festivities. The special day is slated for Saturday, September 13.

Cohasset is one of many towns along the east coast that are celebrating similar events – Plymouth is planning for its 400th anniversary of the Pilgrims landing in 1620.

"We are lighting the fuse," said Todd Goff of the Historical Commission. "The entire eastern seaboard is going to be celebrating his return."

Film at Fair Oaks home causes stir

A small film production in a Cohasset home has caused a big stir in an otherwise quiet neighborhood... A British film production company, Rostand Productions, is filming a series of scenes on English as a second language for another UK company, Lingraphone (Freddie Rostand, the company's owner, is a former BBC reporter).

The company is renting a five-bedroom, 4,427 square-foot home at 14 Fair Oaks Lane, a residential neighborhood within walking distance of the Osgood and Deer Hill elementary schools.

5 South Main reopens one day after fire

Talk about a close call. When an electrical fire broke out in the 5 South Main restaurant late

Friday night, two women working in the café were there to keep the flames from spreading...

The fire was unrelated to the baking, and would have broken out regardless, according to officials.

"It could've been devastating," said 5 South Main owner Jennifer Warshaw. "There were people upstairs, a bar full of patrons next door, and other merchants that could've been affected, and my own staff. I was so thrilled no one was hurt."

Crying foul about noisy rooster

Barking dogs can be muzzled, but how can you quiet a noisy rooster?

This was the question before the Board of Health Monday night when Al Slanetz, Nichols Road, applied for a permit for his family's pet rooster... Neighbors have been calling Animal Control complaining about rooster crowing, however, and Slanetz's bird isn't the only one, although there three separate calls in this week's police log about a rooster on Nichols Road.

"We've seen an uptick in complaints about roosters" lately, said Board of Health Agent Felix Zemel, citing another anonymous complaint about a rooster on Lamberts Lane. Michael Barry, a neighbor of the Lamberts Lane rooster, attended the meeting and said that while he doesn't mind the bird at times, he is tired of the early-morning wakeup call.

Selectmen call Special Town Meeting

Time to start preparing warrant articles and citizens' petitions: the Cohasset Board of Selectmen voted Wednesday, Sept. 10 to call a Special Town Meeting for Monday, Nov. 17 at 7 p.m. in the high school gymnasium.

Meeting Green Communities criteria

Cohasset could soon begin the process of becoming a certified "Green Community" through the statewide Green Communities Act, which launched the state's Green Communities Division.

The program provides grants to qualifying communities to fund energy efficiency initiatives and innovative renewable energy projects.

Cohasset's Alternative Energy Committee (AEC) is exploring several energy-efficient projects, from solar panels on the town landfill on Cedar Street to retrofitting the town's streetlights to LED fixtures.

Cohasset to keep MCAS

The Cohasset School Committee voted Wednesday night to keep the MCAS rather than switch to the PARCC next year.

The school board took the summer to decide whether or not to swap the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) standardized test for the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC), which is being developed to correlate with federal Common Core standards for math and English competency.

Harbor dredging delayed

The harbor dredging project that was scheduled to begin this fall has been postponed.

Town Manager Chris Senior reported to the Board of Selectmen



BACK TO SCHOOL: First grader Max Monahan waves to a friend from the bus on the second day of school at Osgood on Wednesday, September 3, 2014. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN 2014



LOCAL COLOR: Leaves burn red with color in front of the Deer Hill School on Tuesday, October 7, 2014 during a spectacular fall season. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN

Tuesday night that due to numerous other dredging projects along the East Coast, Cohasset's project, funded by the Army Corps of Engineers, is being delayed.

The project was expected to start this fall and be completed by the end of the year. The Army Corps of Engineers proposed emergency dredging of an 11.25-acre area damaged by Hurricane Sandy, including the Cohasset Harbor entrance channel and the entrance to Bailey Creek. Sand removed from the project was going to be added to Sandy Beach.

OCTOBER

St. John shipwreck remembered

A long-ago shipwreck has not yet been forgotten in Cohasset.

On October 7, 1849, the Irish brig St. John wrecked off the coast of Cohasset. It was carrying emigrants from Galway who were headed for Boston to escape the potato famine. At least 99 passengers were killed in this tragedy, with unknown numbers lost at sea.

"This was the worst shipwreck in the history of the South Shore," said John Sullivan of the Ancient Order of the Hibernians in Plymouth.

Pleasant St. gets Green Light

Can a sip of green juice make you see the light?

Juice bar owner David O'Brien thinks so.

"I live in physical bliss



PUBLIC HEALTH: Public health nurse Mary Goodwin administers a flu shot to Anna Smith of Cohasset during the flu clinic on Tuesday, October 7, 2014. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN

every day, with clarity and vibrant energy," O'Brien said during a tour of his new, brightly colored space in James Brook Crossing (1 Pleasant Street).

The Green Light already has a few locations along the South Shore, including the flagship shop in Pembroke at 808 Washington Street, a second spot in Marshfield at 1179 Ocean Street, and another at the Kingsbury Club in Kingston. A fourth location is slated to open this month in Duxbury, while the Cohasset shop will open in November.

Dredging a priority in Cohasset

Cohasset officials are trying to get the delayed harbor dredging project back on track.

Town Manager Chris

Senior, the Board of Selectmen, and Harbormaster Lori Gibbons are sending letters to the Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) asking the agency, which oversees federal navigation projects, to expedite dredging in Cohasset using the Currituck, a government vessel.

The ACE explained in an October 1 letter to Senior that zero bids were received during the 34 days the Cohasset project was posted on the government website due to a high demand for contractors for similar projects around the Northeast.

Due to damage from storms like Hurricane Sandy, there are currently 15 to 20 dredging projects going on this year, according to the ACE. The Cohasset dredging project also deals with damage from Sandy, calling for the

dredging of an 11.25-acre area including the harbor's entrance channel and the entrance to Bailey Creek.

After discussion with Harbormaster Gibbons during last Tuesday's selectmen meeting, the board voted to send a letter to the ACE and copy it to Cohasset's federal and state legislators urging the agency to take action before the harbor becomes impassable.

Lobsterman paints boat pink

One Cohasset lobsterman is taking "think pink" to heart – painting his lobster boat pink in the name of breast cancer awareness.

Chip Figueiredo, a fourth-generation lobsterman who has been in the

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business his whole life, decided to make a bold statement on the Cohasset harbor.

Health board updates animal regs

Last month, after a slew of complaints about crowing roosters, the Cohasset Board of Health revisited the town's animal regulations, which hadn't been updated since the 1980s.

The board voted last Tuesday, Oct. 14 to adopt new animal regulations.

Senior Center: League invests another \$1M

The new Cohasset Senior Center at Wilcuit Commons (91 Sohier Street) is on its way and ahead of schedule, with construction expected to be complete by mid-to-late November, according to Social Service League (SSL) President Marita Carpenter.

The SSL, which is spearheading the initiative, recently announced the decision to invest an additional \$1 million into the \$3.7 million project.

The 8000 square-foot facility, which will eventually house the town's Elder Affairs department, was projected to cost \$2.5 million, with "soft costs" from site work and hiring architects and engineers contributing to the original \$3,014,000 to \$3.6 million contract.

NOVEMBER

Criminal complaint against rooster owner

The Board of Health voted to file a criminal complaint application against a rooster owner who failed to get neighborhood support for his bird.

Under town animal regulations, anyone who wishes to own a rooster must obtain a permit from the Board of Health; to do so, they need written permission from their neighbors.

Health Agent resigns

Board of Health Agent Felix Zemel resigned his position this week.

Town Manager Chris Senior said during Wednesday night's Board of Selectmen meeting that he received Zemel's resignation the previous day.

Senior said that Zemel's leaving is "amicable," and the two will work together with the Board of Health for short-term and long-term ways to fulfill the health agent's duties.

Disney to film in Cohasset

Hollywood has, once again, turned its lens to Cohasset.

The town will be transformed into a winter wonderland for the upcoming Disney movie, "The Finest Hours," based on the book of the same title, by Casey Sherman and Michael Tougias.

The film will tell the story of a 1952 U.S. Coast Guard rescue mission that was launched off the coast of Cape Cod after a pair of oil tankers broke in half during a nor'easter.

Selectmen put 'Tri' to the test

Call it a case of déjà vu.

Another year, and another Cohasset Triathlon, means another event application that must be approved by the Board of Selectmen, leading to a contentious discussion on the race and its impact on the town... The selectmen narrowly voted to approve the race date for Sunday, June 28, 2015, after much discussion during Wednesday night's meeting. Two members of the board of selectmen came to the meeting with a list of concerns, which were brought up during an Oct. 2013 when it came time to approve the 2014 triathlon date.

STM speeds through warrant

Cohasset's fall Special Town Meeting took place on Monday, Nov. 17 at 7 p.m. in the Cohasset High School gymnasium... Town Meeting sped through articles dealing with the Fiscal Year 2015 operating budget, unpaid bills from last year, and a due diligence study to review occupying the town's new Senior Center building at 91 Sohier Street.

School board addresses security concerns

School officials want Cohasset students and parents to know that they are doing their utmost to keep the schools safe.

The School Committee addressed several concerns on school security measures during the Wednesday, Nov. 19 meeting.

School committee chairman Paul Ognibene said that the board discussed the schools' Lobby Guard sign-in kiosks, a new key fob access system, and security cameras during a nearly hour-long executive session prior to the public meeting.

Dog park far 'fetched'

A Cohasset committee is "fetching information" for a possible dog park in town.

Ian Lyster, a junior project manager in the Project Management and Engineering Department, along with Cohasset Working Dog Foundation President Trish Morse, are exploring the feasibility of having a designated place for Fido and friends to run free in Cohasset...

But the idea is still far-fetched. "At this point, we're just at the exploration phase," said Lyster.

Selectmen approve 'Festival of Lights'

An "old-fashioned Charles Dickens style Christmas" celebration is coming to Cohasset.

In lieu of the annual Holiday Stroll put on by village merchants, the Chamber of Commerce proposed a season-long "Festival of Lights."

Trees around the town common and in the village, in places such as Constitution Park, will be lit up at night throughout the winter, possibly into February.

DECEMBER

Seeking green communities grants

Cohasset's Alternative Energy Committee



COMMON OCCURRENCE: A hayride goes around a snowy Common during the Jingle Bell Walk on Friday, November 28, 2014. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN

presented to the Advisory Committee on Tuesday, Dec. 2 sharing a list of ways the town could become a designated "Green Community."

The state Department of Energy Resources (DOER) provides grant funding to municipalities that qualify as Green Communities, AEC co-chair Shaun Selha explained. So far, 123 commonwealth communities – including Scituate and Hanover – have joined the program, with the DOER issuing \$29,728,000 to these towns to date to help fund alternative energy initiatives.

Harbor dredging sunk

Cohasset's harbor dredging project is no longer considered an emergency, said Town Manager Chris Senior. After learning in October that the project, expected to start this fall and completed by the end of the year, was delayed until fall 2015 the Cohasset Board of Selectmen voted to send a letter to the Army Corps of Engineers to ask for emergency assistance before the harbor channel closes in completely.

The federally funded project was proposed by the Army Corps for emergency dredging of an 11.25-acre area damaged by Hurricane Sandy, including the Cohasset Harbor entrance channel and the entrance to Bailey Creek. Sand removed from the project was going to be added to Sandy Beach.

\$100 champagne pizza

It's the time of year to enjoy some comfort and joy – and what better way than with the ultimate comfort food – pizza – and a little bubbly?

Even better, how about combining the two into one delectable dish?

To Andris Lagsdin, owner of Baking Steel, it's a surefire recipe for holiday cheer.

The "buzz" was palpable when Lagsdin hosted a tasting at his home test kitchen, which is housed in a renovated barn behind his South Main Street home, on Friday, Dec. 12.

Selectmen say 'no' to new events

The Board of Selectmen voted Tuesday night to place a temporary moratorium on approving any new events in Cohasset.



DEER HILL HONORS VETERANS: Third grader Alexia Tserelova holds her flag up high during their assembly to honor the veterans at the Deer Hill School on Friday, November 7, 2014. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN



VETERANS FORUM: Gold star parent Carlos Arredondo shakes the hand of marine veteran Greg Knowles of Cohasset during the third annual South Shore Veterans' Benefits Forum at St. Anthony's on Saturday, November 8, 2014. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN

Due to the influx of event requests coming in, selectmen chair Diane Kennedy suggested that Cohasset should take a step back to review its event application form and fee structure.

"I personally think it would be worthwhile to consider having some kind

of moratorium on any new applications," said Kennedy.

Looking ahead to Spring Town Meeting

Cohasset's Annual Town Meeting isn't until May 2015, but officials are operating as if spring is just around the corner.

On Tuesday, Dec. 16, during the last Board of Selectmen meeting of the year, the board took an early look at some potential zoning warrant articles and a draft Annual Town Meeting (ATM) schedule with suggested deadlines, drawn up by Town Manager Chris Senior.

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A classic beauty inside and out

By Tammy Hatch

Miss Reagan is a beautiful 2-year-old black & white "classic" tuxedo cat with large green eyes and beautiful white toes. She is, in every sense of the word, a "classic" beauty. My Google search defined a "classic woman" as having a real life education, wit and a sense of humor. She has style and manners while at the same time is elegant. She doesn't boast about her successes, rather she is modest and humble. A classic woman's true beauty comes from deep within.

Reagan is a classic and once you meet her you too will see why she holds this special title.

She is a street smart gal who not only survived on her own, but cared for and protected her 4 young kittens until being rescued and taken to a foster home. Reagan's foster mom reports she was a very patient, attentive and loving mother. Not

Though you will likely find Reagan sitting stoically minding her business on entering the room, she will greet you quickly and won't hesitate to crawl up into your lap.

surprisingly her kittens were quickly adopted.

Her job as a mother done Reagan was moved from foster care to our shelter where she has done well despite the many changes in her life in a short period of time. She has a calm temperament and doesn't get involved in petty squabbles with the other resident cats. Though you will likely find Reagan sitting stoically minding her business on entering the room, she will greet you quickly and won't hesitate to crawl up into your lap. She loves attention and purrs loudly when you scratch her head, and when you stop she'll nudge your hand for more.

Shelter cats make

wonderful companion pets because they are grateful and appreciative and our Reagan is no exception. Won't you come meet this classic lady?

HSAR is located at 50 L Street. We are open to the public Mondays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 2 to 3 p.m. Special appointments can also be made by calling our Adoption Coordinator, Judy, at 781-534-4902. You can also check us out on-line at www.hsar.org

Hurry and get your 2015 Kittendales calendar while supplies last. They can be purchased on-line, at the shelter during open hours or at Toast Restaurant, 121 Nantasket Ave. in Hull. The cost is \$20. HSAR is non-profit/



Reagan loves attention and purrs loudly when you scratch her head, and when you stop she'll nudge your hand for more. COURTESY PHOTO

no kill shelter. All money raised from calendar sales, can & bottle returns and donations is used to rescue, house and provide medical care to the cats and kittens in our care as well as assists in the care and control of the local feral population.

HSAR would like to take

this opportunity to give a special "thank you" to the Hingham Animal Clinic for their tremendous support. We rely heavily on them for our weekly appointment for the routine medical care of our cats and kittens and they've always made accommodations for us when

emergent veterinary care is needed. Thank you Doctors Waters, Anholzer and Sacks and all of your wonderful staff for being so good to us.

—Tammy Hatch is a Volunteer and Board Member at Hull Seaside Animal Rescue.

CSCR LECTURE

Fate of vernal pools and their inhabitants

The Center for Student Coastal Research is kicking off its 2015 lecture series on Jan. 13, with another look into vernal pools, presented by Dr. Steven Schwartz, aquatic ecologist and lecturer at Bridgewater State University. Dr. Schwartz will present some interesting, yet little known aspects in terms of why size is an important factor, and these at times inconspicuous habitats are rather complex in nature.

Vernal pools are ubiquitous features of the New England environment. The textbook definition according to the Fish and Game Department states that they provide valuable breeding habitat for a large variety of amphibians, which complete their life cycle in the surrounding uplands and forests. Vernal pools may vary in size, shape and location and typically appear year after year in the same location except during extremely dry years. They are, particularly during the late summer months, difficult to notice, therefore identification and documentation are vital to protecting vernal pools.

In his planned CSCR lecture, Dr. Schwarz states that although vernal pools are common our knowledge of function and relatedness across the landscape is weak. They are inadequately studied and unappreciated by the lay and scientific community due to the assumption that these extremely shallow habitats are biologically important only to amphibians and perhaps fairy shrimp. These assumptions are largely untested because of how we see these pools and even how we speak about them. During his presentation, Dr. Schwarz will try to demonstrate to the audience that these habitats are complex relative to the small size of most of their inhabitants. Size matters, and the large number of species living in these pools experience their world in a dramatically different way than we imagine.

To all friends of vernal pools, an important result of Dr. Schwarz' research is that there is a lack of geographical pattern in the distribution of most vernal pool species. This result supports the hypothesis that many invertebrate inhabitants of vernal pools disperse poorly. The consequence to conservationists is that each vernal pool acts as an island for poorly dispersing species and preservation of the habitats is critical in a landscape that is increasingly fragmented.

Dr. Schwarz is a marine biologist and grew up in St. Louis. He always loved science and became interested in water at an early age, although he never saw the ocean until he started his higher education at Long Beach State. From there, he moved to Northern Arizona University

to study a lake and then to the University of Nebraska researching and learning about the animals of vernal pools. Dr. Schwarz held professional positions in Ontario, Georgia, Oklahoma and Massachusetts, with a two-year stay in Israel along the way. At each place he worked in vernal pools, which were his guiding interest to this date.

He learned to see the world from a different perspective at each stop and the sum of his experiences essentially helped to see vernal pools in a unique way, shaping his expertise on many of the invertebrates of vernal ponds. Due to vagaries of life, Dr. Schwarz has been primarily teaching for the last few years, away from research, but is advocating for

these habitats.

This lecture and discussion event is hosted by the Center for Student Coastal Research, 40 Parker Ave., Cohasset, a nonprofit organization located in Cohasset. The CSCR educates students in environmental sciences, encourages environmental awareness, and promotes activism. Details are available

Size matters, and the large number of species living in these pools experience their world in a dramatically different way than we imagine.

at www.csccr.org.

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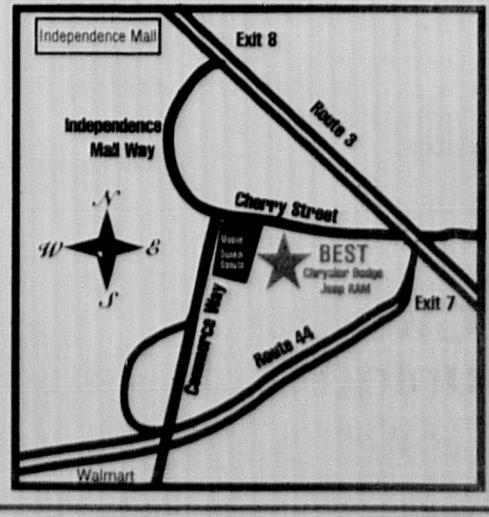


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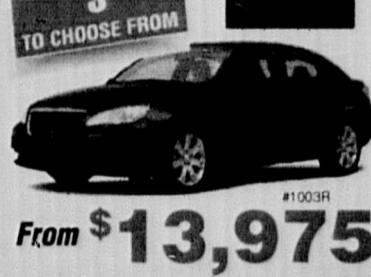
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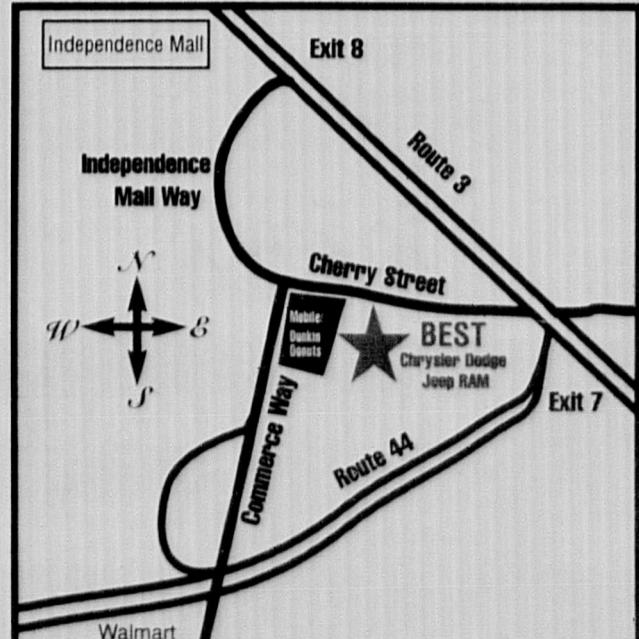
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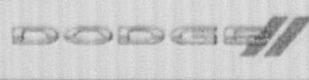
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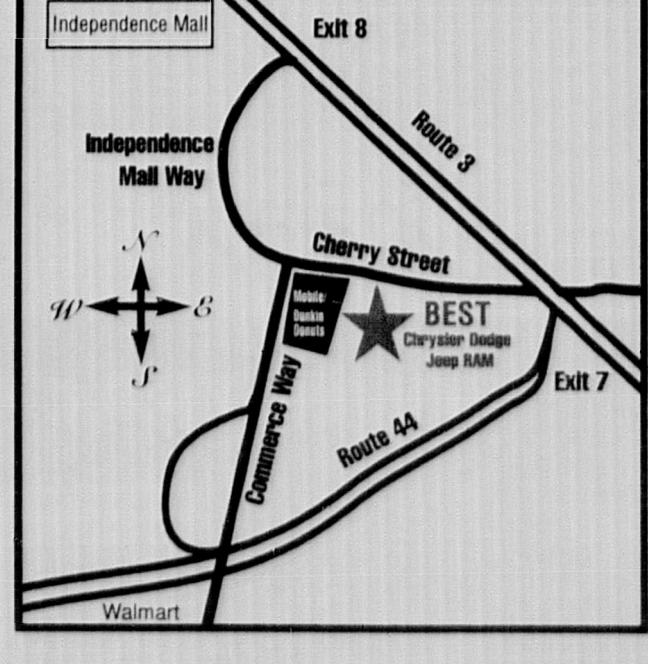
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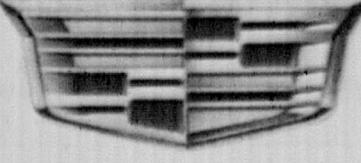
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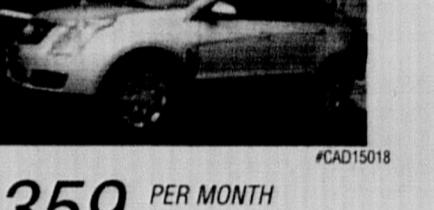
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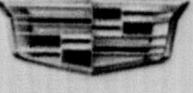
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COHASSET POLICE/FIRE LOG**Monday, Dec. 22**

7:14 a.m. **Hillside Ave.**, animal call. Deer trapped in the backyard of residence. Doctor from Crazy Paws responding. Deer has been freed, units clear.

9:10 a.m. **Pond St.**, larceny report. Caller requests officer, delivery possibly stolen from stairs on Thursday.

10:33 a.m. **Red Gate Lane**, medical aid.

11:07 a.m. **Church St. and Flint Ridge Road**, traffic hazard. Construction truck parked on corner.

12:45 p.m. **Mendel Road**, larceny report. Walk-in reports package stolen.

12:47 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Tedeschi's Plaza, community service.

1:01 p.m. **Buttonwood Lane**, medical aid.

1:04 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Shaw's Plaza, community service.

1:53 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Stop & Shop, directed patrol.

2:08 p.m. **Parking Way**, medical aid.

2:29 p.m. **Jerusalem Road**, directed patrol.

3:13 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, three-car motor vehicle accident.

Scituate blocking traffic at Henry Turner Bailey. Owner/operator of vehicle two is being transported.

3:15 p.m. **S. Main St.**, Cohasset Village, community service.

3:25 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Stop & Shop, medical aid.

4:32 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, motor vehicle crash in front of Brown's Garage. Wrecker has one vehicle. Citation issued to owner/operator of vehicle two.

4:33 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, disabled motor vehicle. Caller in a Toyota in the middle of the road in the intersection.

6:35 p.m. **S. Main St.**, police information. Sergeant reports the store "Outside In" left the clothing racks outside and the business is all closed up for the evening.

7:33 p.m. **King St.**, Sunrise, medical aid.

7:44 p.m. **N. Main St.**, medical aid.

8:04 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Hingham Lumber, erratic motor vehicle operation. Black SUV with New Hampshire plates now in Hingham north on 3A. Suspect vehicle is taking a left on East Street heading south on 228.

Tuesday, Dec. 23

3:37 a.m. **King St.**, Sunrise, medical aid.

3:08 a.m. **Forest Ave.**, medical aid.

3:19 a.m. **Sohier St.**, Deer Hill School, disabled motor vehicle. Car is out of gas near the driveway of the school, is not in the way. Owner went to get gas.

11:14 a.m. **Ripley Road and Sohier St.**, motor vehicle stop. Clear, verbal for speed.

11:07 a.m. **S. Main and Summer streets**. Will remain in the area on traffic patrol.

11:13 a.m. **S. Main St.**, motor vehicle stop; verbal warning.

11:18 a.m. **Forest Ave.**, traffic enforcement.

2:02 p.m. **King St.**, traffic enforcement.

2:14 p.m. **Hugh Strain Road and Pond St.**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

2:30 p.m. **King St.**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

4:57 p.m. **Pleasant Lane**, hunting violation. Caller reports hunters in the woods with infrared lights and she states it's very scary. Search

is negative. Will check surrounding area to make sure. 5:46 p.m. **Forest Ave.**, traffic enforcement.

6:46 p.m. **King St.**, parking complaint. Caller reports a BMW parked in a handicapped spot. Parked there for more than 3 hours. Clear, ticket issued for violation.

9:13 p.m. **Beechwood St.**, suspicious vehicle. Gray SUV in front of his house, unknown plate. Concerned due to recent break-ins in the area. Officer located the owner of the vehicle and will be moving the vehicle.

11:46 p.m. **Depot Court**, disturbance. Caller reports people drunk in the parking lot making a lot of noise.

Wednesday, Dec. 24

6:59 a.m. **N. Main St. and Red Gate Lane**, traffic enforcement.

9:15 a.m. **Beechwood St. and Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, disabled motor vehicle. Vehicle broken down partly off the road. AAA en route. 1 hour ETA. Vehicle in a bad spot.

9:31 a.m. **Ripley Road**, motor vehicle stop; verbal warning.

10:44 a.m. **Elm St.**, Police Headquarters, assist public. Advice given.

11:42 a.m. **Ridge Top Road**, motor vehicle stop; verbal warning.

3:14 p.m. **Schofield Road**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

4:57 p.m. **Cedar St.**, animal call. Caller reports a dog appears to be lost on the "dump road." Was wandering down the street. Dog gone on arrival.

4:58 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Brown's Foreign Auto. minor motor vehicle crash. Caller reports his vehicle was struck at Stars in Hingham. Caller reports he followed vehicle to Cohasset. Now both vehicles are currently in the parking lot. They have exchanged paperwork, units clear.

7:49 p.m. **Elm St.**, Fire Department, medical aid. Patient evaluated for general weakness.

8:03 p.m. Well being check. Party was supposed to be dropped off at headquarters at 7:15, has not arrived. Party is at headquarters, exchange made.

9:08 p.m. **Evergreen Lane**, animal call. Caller reports lost dog, older, about 100 pounds.

10:13 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy. and Pond St.**, disabled motor vehicle. Vehicle has stalled on operator close to home. Father is responding to assist her. Vehicle removed from roadway.

Thursday, Dec. 25

12:52 a.m. **Pleasant St.**, fire investigation. Headquarters reports being notified directly of a smoke detector activation.

2:46 p.m. **Church St.**, medical aid.

9:49 p.m. **Edith Holmes Drive, Scituate**, mutual aid ambulance.

10:50 p.m. **Beechwood St.**, medical aid.

11:09 p.m. **Linden Drive**, suspicious vehicle. Vehicle did not go on his property.

Friday, Dec. 26

8:02 a.m. **King St.**, Sunrise, medical aid.

11:08 a.m. **Red Gate Lane**, animal call. Female reporting she was attacked by a yellow

Lab.

11:16 a.m. **Jerusalem Road**, traffic enforcement.

11:36 a.m. **Norfolk Road**, medical aid; fall from ladder.

12:42 p.m. **King and Sohier streets**, minor motor vehicle crash. Both parties pulled into the Mobil and would like help with paper exchange.

2:19 p.m. **S. Main St.**, animal call. Caller reports her two kittens got out last night, black and white, 6 months old.

6:20 p.m. **Cedar and Hull streets**, traffic enforcement.

7:59 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, erratic motor vehicle operation called in by Scituate Police Department. Gray Infinitely driven erratically. Party checks out, verbal warning.

8:53 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Shaw's Supermarket, assist public. Caller reporting she dropped her keys down the storm drain while she was loading groceries. She is in a handicapped space right in front of the store. Item has been retrieved, cancel fire.

Traffic safety tip of the week

Winter has officially started. Here are three quick tips for safer driving: keep your windshield washer fluid reservoir full using high-quality winter fluid that contains deicer; check the condition of your wiper blades and replace them if worn; and make sure to wipe your headlights clean at least whenever you get gas. The salt and sand splashed can build up and can reduce even the brightest or newest headlights.

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with wife, he locked his keys in the car. Awaiting AAA.

9:11 p.m. **N. Main St.**, South Shore Community Center, inside gas. Command reports CO readings. National Grid notified.

Command reports isolated two heating units, also gas shut off. Command reports third heating unit shut down. Command reports zero CO levels throughout the building, command terminated.

9:36 p.m. **Atlantic Ave.**, medical aid.

11:14 p.m. **Summer St.**, George Mealy Post, disturbance. Fight in the bar. Occurred outside.

11:48 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Work Station, open door. Caller is at Work Station Co. and reports the door to one of the other offices is open.

Sunday, Dec. 28

12:04 a.m. **King St. and Sanctuary Pond Road**, minor motor vehicle crash. Caller reports she hit a deer, damage to her vehicle, no injuries. Vehicle is operable.

5:58 a.m. **S. Main St.**, Dependable Cleaners, open door. Caller reports door is wide open. Caller stated this is unusual for this time of day. Officers report everything all set there and secure.

9:28 a.m. **Elm St.**, well being check. Are You OK program requesting a well being check.

9:39 p.m. **Jerusalem Road**, medical aid.

10:22 a.m. **Elm St.**, well being check. Female located, incident closed.

2:08 p.m. **N. Main St.**, Wheelwright Park, well being check. Norwell requesting a Cohasset officer check.

6:41 p.m. **Doane St.**, Wompatuck State Park, noise complaint. Caller reports what sounded like 12 rounds of gunshots approximately 10 minutes ago. Would like to see an officer. 911 caller reporting eight to 10 shots in same area; 911 caller from Doane calling to report same issue. Officers have not heard anything since arrival.

They have spoken with callers. Environmental Police notified.

8:46 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Fiori's, suspicious vehicle. Caller reports a silver Jeep has been there all day, car seat in the Jeep, purse in the car, cell phone in there. Called back. Husband just returned

Saturday, Dec. 27

3:14 a.m. **S. Main St.**, break building. Caller states there was someone in the backyard. Tried to break in. Heard them running down South Main. Fresh prints on the back porch. Given as BOLO to surrounding towns. Suspect wearing black jacket, black winter hat.

9:44 a.m. **S. Main St.**, animal call. Dog unleashed on side of roadway.

10:39 a.m. **King St.**, Cohasset Fitness, hit-and-run motor vehicle crash. Motor vehicle was unoccupied.

Caller reports second car is gone, black VW.

12:10 p.m. **Elm St.**, Police Headquarters, animal bite. Walk-in to station to report a dog bite. ACO to handle.

12:56 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, motor vehicle stop; verbal warning.

12:56 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, minor motor vehicle crash. Ladder fell off one vehicle and hit another, broke windshield.

1:38 p.m. **King St.**, directed patrol.

1:40 p.m. **King St.**, motor

OBITUARIES

Obituaries appearing in this section are paid for and written by families, often through the services of a funeral director.

Mary J. McCarthy

COHASSET — Mary Janet McCarthy, age 83, of Cohasset, passed away Dec. 22, 2014, at the Pat Roche Hospice Home in Hingham.

Beloved wife of the late John "Jack" P. McCarthy, she was the loving mother of Patricia Maynard and husband Hermon of Antrim, N.H., and Jeff McCarthy and wife Martha Zimnicki of Portland, Maine; sister of Anne Hayden of Daytona Beach, Fla., and Fred DeLay of Hingham; grandmother of Jessica Hanson, Nathaniel Maynard, Jacob Maynard, Hannah Maynard, Morrigan McCarthy; great-grandmother of Cate, Abby, Colby, Anna, and Owen.

Mrs. McCarthy worked for years at the Cohasset Colonial Pharmacy and was a fixture at

Sandy Beach.

She was a volunteer for the Senior Shuttle, Atlantic Symphony, Pine Street Inn, and for Meals on Wheels.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday, Dec. 27, 2014, at 11 a.m. in St. Anthony Church, Cohasset. Visiting hours were prior to the funeral Mass on Saturday, Dec. 27, from 10-11 a.m. in McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, 160 So. Main St. (across from St. Anthony Church), Cohasset. Interment in Holy Family Cemetery, Rockland.

For more information, please visit www.mcnamara-sparrell.com.

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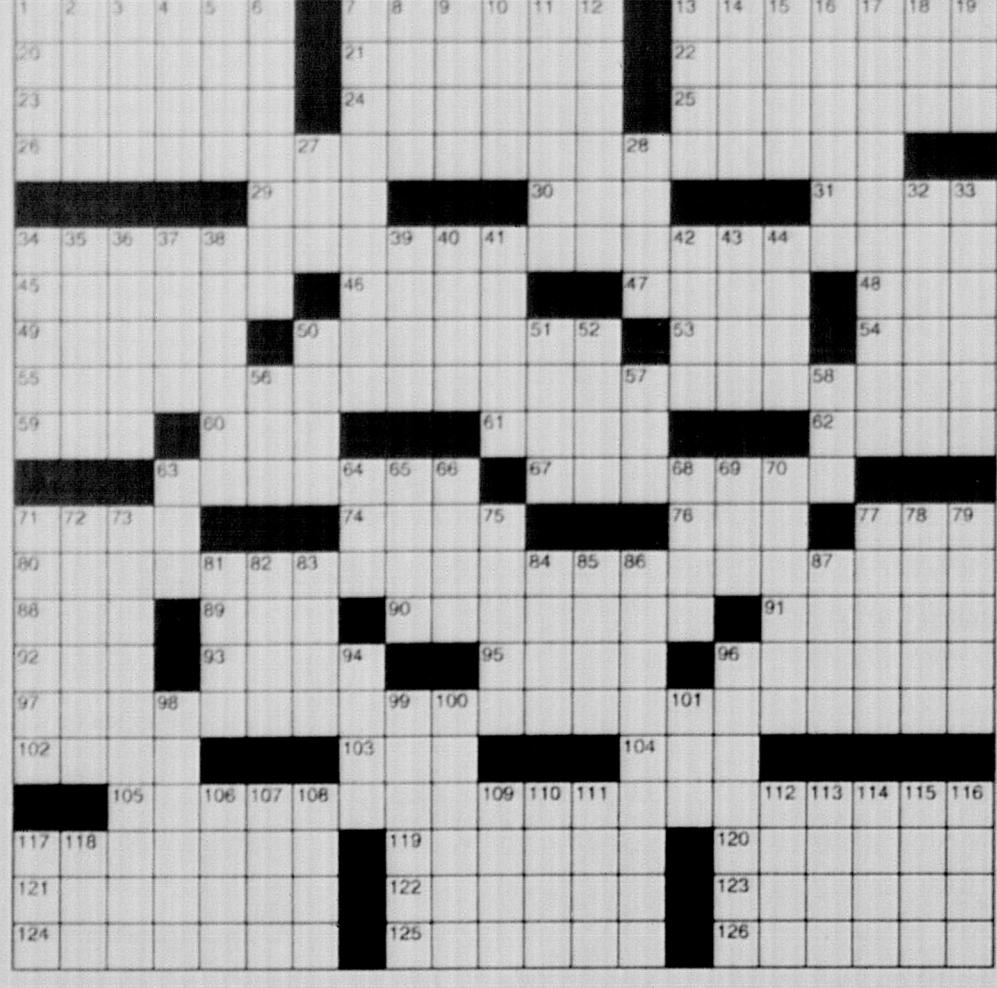
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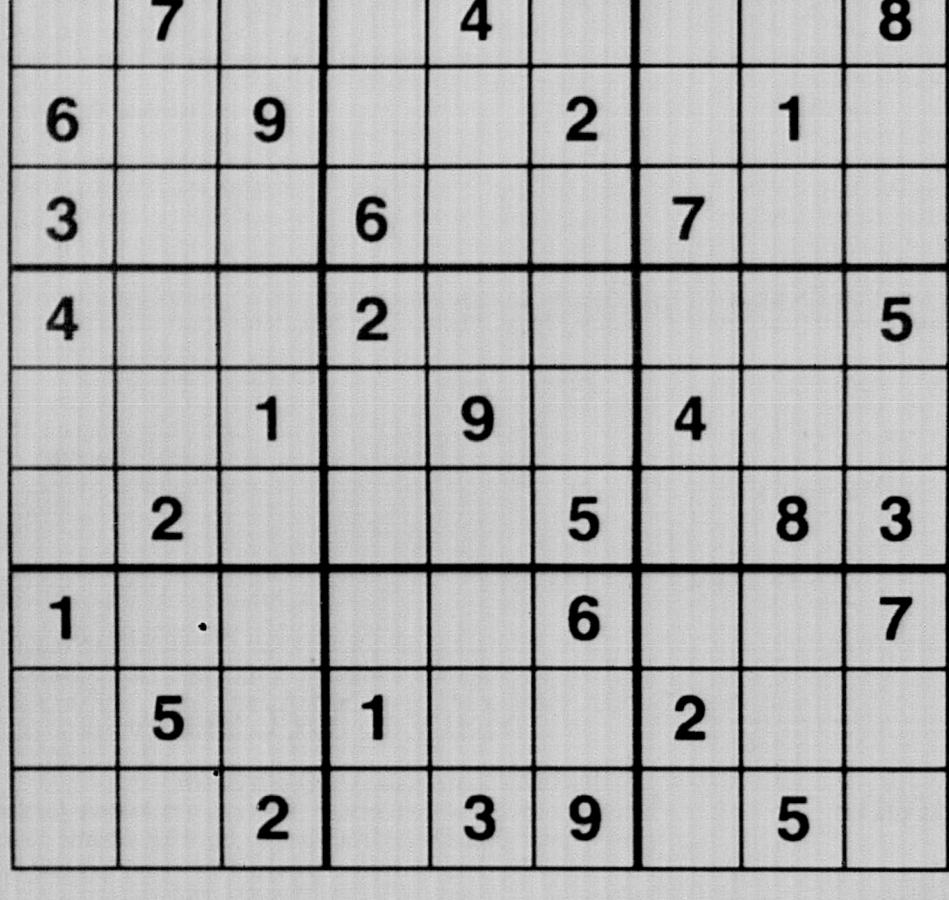
Crossword - Masked Destruction



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- ACROSS**
- 1 Hair grows out of them
 - 7 Flip out
 - 13 Encroaches upon
 - 20 He served with Bill Clinton
 - 21 Charm
 - 22 Life stories on film
 - 23 Persist in
 - 24 Sneezier's sheet
 - 25 Takes
 - 26 Start of a riddle
 - 29 Howard or Paul
 - 30 Liquor option
 - 31 Comedienne Imogene
 - 34 Riddle, part 2
 - 45 Acts theatrically
 - 46 Relieved sighs
 - 47 Any time at all
 - 48 Pal, in Brest
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- DOWN**
- 59 Suffix with Ecuador or Caesar
 - 60 Long of "Alfie"
 - 61 Do a post office job
 - 62 Peace-keeping gp.
 - 63 Airplane seat restraint
 - 64 Letter between vee and ex
 - 65 Up-and-down park fixture
 - 66 Awful
 - 67 Small African mongoose
 - 68 Abdominal injury
 - 69 Surfing the Net, say
 - 70 Org. that aids the stranded
 - 71 'The Sun' — "Rises"
 - 72 Bottom part of a hair
 - 73 Pale colors
 - 74 Storage site for weapons
 - 75 Brand of cooking oil
 - 76 Raisins, as the ante
 - 77 "H.H. Munro's pseudonym
 - 78 Staff symbol
 - 79 Tetra, e.g.
 - 80 New — (Mardi Gras locale)
 - 81 "big girl now"
 - 82 Bound along
 - 83 Gala for grads
 - 84 "What a tangled — weave!"
 - 85 City in Nebraska
 - 86 Violin bow application
 - 87 And others, for short
 - 88 Montana's capital
 - 89 Like Cheerios
 - 90 "Boy, that was close!"
 - 91 Make fun of
 - 92 Jillian of TV
 - 93 Tetra, e.g.
 - 94 Nick Jr.'s "— the Explorer"
 - 95 Mistreat
 - 96 End of the niddle
 - 97 See 28-Down
 - 98 Recline lazily
 - 99 "sorry!"
 - 100 101
 - 101 102
 - 102 103
 - 103 Tankard drink
 - 104 Orangutan, for one
 - 105 Riddle's answer
 - 106 Solo's cravings
 - 107 Outer; Prefix
 - 108 Actor Nolte
 - 109 Viva — (orally)
 - 110 Stomped (on)
 - 111 Quick glance
 - 112 Classic dancer Fred
 - 113 Up-and-down park fixture
 - 114 Military draft org.
 - 115 Small African mongoose
 - 116 Blood fluid: Prefix
 - 117 Sol's cravings
 - 118 Outer; Prefix
 - 119 Actor Nolte
 - 120 Abbr. on an A/C
 - 121 Email giggle
 - 122 Abdominal injury
 - 123 Surfing the Net, say
 - 124 Pale colors
 - 125 Storage site for weapons
 - 126 Brand of cooking oil
 - 127 Small African mongoose
 - 128 With 42-Down, quick inspection
 - 129 Bonding stuff
 - 130 Hard Italian cheese
 - 131 What a tangled — weave!"
 - 132 Bonding stuff
 - 133 "H.H. Munro's pseudonym
 - 134 "What a tangled — weave!"
 - 135 City in Nebraska
 - 136 Violin bow application
 - 137 And others, for short
 - 138 Montana's capital
 - 139 Like Cheerios
 - 140 "Boy, that was close!"
 - 141 Twisted road curves
 - 142 See 28-Down
 - 143 Road rig
 - 144 1982 film and video game
 - 145 "Nina" mark
 - 146 Moving van
 - 147 Outmoded
 - 148 Spirited horse
 - 149 Comb (through)
 - 150 Don't include
 - 151 "Oscar" —
 - 152 Helmsman
 - 153 Taser missile
 - 154 Doing terribly
 - 155 In fine fettle
 - 156 Miami team
 - 157 Skating spectacle
 - 158 Capital of Tasmania
 - 159 "24" actress Cuthbert
 - 160 Shiny wood overlay
 - 161 Prefix with center
 - 162 Be fond of
 - 163 Horror film star Chaney
 - 164 Before, in verses
 - 165 Western wolf
 - 166 Group of gigs
 - 167 Embargoed
 - 168 Fall behind
 - 169 Calif. barrio locale
 - 170 Last name of Uncle Fester
 - 171 Hair remover brand
 - 172 Canadian one-dollar coin
 - 173 Fence "doors" that automatically return to their closed positions
 - 174 "Nina" mark
 - 175 "Tibetan
 - 176 Moving van
 - 177 Outmoded
 - 178 Spirited horse
 - 179 Comb (through)
 - 180 See 107-Down

Sudoku



Level: Challenging

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

HOROSCOPE

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Events could inspire adventurous Lambs looking to make a major career or personal move. But as always, get all the facts before rushing into any sort of deal or commitment.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) What seems to be a great opportunity could cause even usually practical Taureans to ignore their inner caution cues. Best to move carefully to avoid falling into unseen traps.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Need a holiday now that the seasonal festivities are behind you? Good idea. Plan to go someplace wonderful. You'll return refreshed and more than ready for a new challenge.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Progress continues to be made on that pesky workplace problem. Meanwhile, don't assume a personal situation will work itself out. Best to get more involved earlier than later.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Catnaps are definitely recommended for Leos and Leonas who had been

going at a hectic pace over the holidays. Adding relaxation time to your schedule helps restore your overdrawn energy reserves.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Sure, some of the new friends you made over the holidays might move out of your life at some point. But at least one might show significant "staying power" with some encouragement.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Encourage family members to join you in supporting a relative who could be facing a difficult emotional challenge in the New Year. Showing your love and concern helps keep his or her hopes up.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) While a long-deferred decision suddenly might take on some urgency after news on a related matter, you still need to weigh all factors carefully before deciding one way or the other.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) This is a good time to reassess the earlier plan you made for the New Year. Some ele-

ments you felt you could depend on to make it work might no longer carry that assurance.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Forming a renewed connection with a former associate is only the first step toward working out your new plans. Be prepared for problems, and deal with them as soon as they arise.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A romantic situation that was going smoothly not too long ago might take a new turn. Be honest about your feelings before you decide whether to follow it or take another path.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) The wise Pisces (that's you, of course) will make sure everyone knows you plan to keep your options open and listen to all sides of the situation before making any decisions.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your honest approach to life and living is always an inspiration for others fortunate enough to know you.

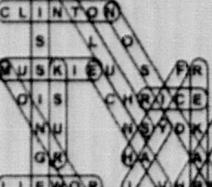
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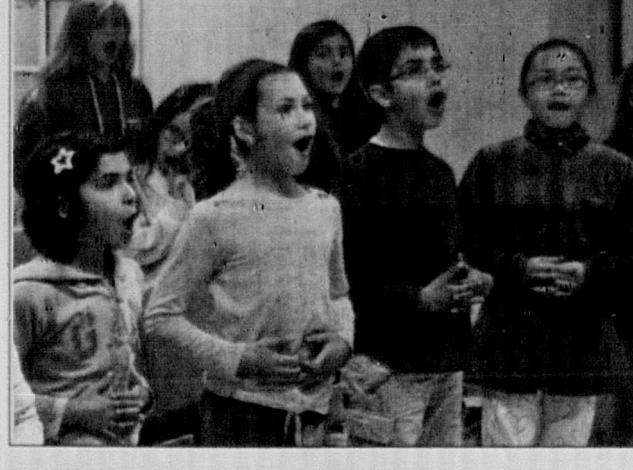
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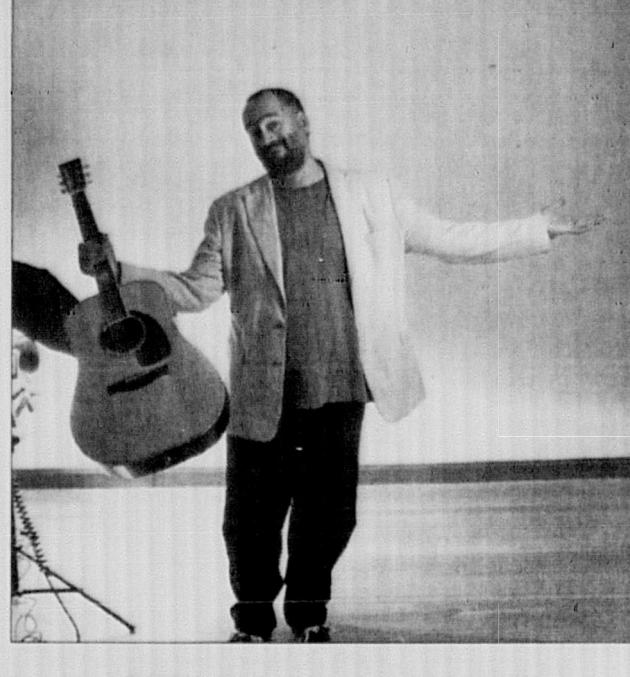


Audition for Pure Treble or Pure Harmony children's choruses

WHEN: Monday, Jan. 5. Treble-5 to 6:15 p.m. or Harmony-6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

WHERE: Conservatory's Ellison Center for the Arts, 64 St. George Street, Duxbury.

INFO: Open auditions for singers interested in joining the winter/spring session of Pure Treble or Pure Harmony children's choruses. This next session includes a performance with the African Children's Choir on April 10 and 11. Students from grades two to five are invited to audition for Pure Treble, students from grades six to nine for Pure Harmony. Students planning to attend the open rehearsals should contact Nancy Meredith at n.meredith@sscmusic.org. or by calling 781-934-2731, ext. 11. For more information visit www.sscmusic.org/pure_treble.html.



Vance Gilbert in concert at the South Shore Folk Music Club

WHEN: 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 3. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: The Beal House of Kingston, MA Unitarian Church, 222 Main St., Kingston.

INFO: Tickets are \$20 for members and \$22 for non-members. Advance tickets are available from: <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/870466> <http://www.vancegilbert.com/>



Greg Lessard photography exhibit, 'Snowy Owl - Soul of the Arctic' at SSNSC

WHEN: on display from Jan. 4 to Feb. 8.

WHERE: in Vine Hall Art Gallery at the South Shore Science Center, 48 Jacobs Lane, Norwell.

INFO: The public is invited to a "Meet the Artist" reception from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10. The exhibit will include nearly 30 images of snowy owls that were made during the record setting irruption of 2013-2014. In addition, the exhibit includes the stories behind the images. One image is a life sized panorama of a snowy owl in flight.

SATURDAY, JAN. 3

Vance Gilbert in concert hosted by South Shore Folk Music Club at 8 p.m. at The Beal House of Kingston, MA Unitarian Church, 222 Main St., in Kingston; doors open at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for members and \$22 for non-members. The atmosphere is informal, friendly and smoke and alcohol free. The venue is handicap accessible. Advance tickets are available from: <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/870466> <http://www.vancegilbert.com/> Information: www.ssfmc.org.

Kate Cameron at The Snug, 116 North St., Hingham, 781-749-9774. www.thesnugpub.com, 9:30 p.m.

DJ Skip at Waterfront Bar and Grill, 170 Water St., Plymouth, 508-591-8393. 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Back Talk at Players Sports Bar & Grille, 86 VFW Drive, Rockland, 781-681-9999. [southshoresportsbar.com](http://www.southshoresportsbar.com).

Groove Doctors at Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. 781-340-1300.

Age Against The Machine returns Opening Handsome Young Bastards at C-Note, 159 Nantasket Avenue, Hull. 781-925-4300. www.cnotehull.com

Irish Seisiún at Lucioso's Pub at 6 Spring Lane in Plymouth, 5:30 p.m. Songs from sea chanteys, rebel songs and songs of loss, to jigs, reels and hornpipes with craic and singalong. Free.

Jill Fleming at Wildflower Café & Tavern, 8 Chestnut St., Duxbury. 781-934-7814. www.wildflowercafe.us/

SUNDAY, JAN. 4

All-you-can eat buffet breakfast from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at Corner Stone Lodge, 585 Washington St., Duxbury. The menu includes scrambled eggs, home fries, bacon, sausage, toast, English muffins, baked beans, French toast, juice and coffee. Pancakes will be cooked to order. Price is \$7 per adult, \$6 per senior, \$5 per child age 12 and under. If possible, bring can tabs to donate for Shriners hospitals. Open to the public.

Cohasset Dramatic Club will hold auditions for its second annual short play festival, "Briefs" at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 5 at the Cohasset Town Hall Theater, 41 Highland Avenue, Cohasset. "Briefs" is composed of seven short (10-minute) plays from some of our country's pre-eminent, award-winning playwrights. Seven directors have been chosen from the Boston area, and will be present at auditions. Auditions will consist of monologue readings. You may bring your own one-minute monologue - either comedic or dramatic. Monologues are available at auditions if you do not have one. Also, bring a headshot and resume to auditions, if you have them. All roles are open and roles are available for men and women ages 18 - 65. There will be three to four rehearsals per 10-minute piece in the month of January, leading up to performances on Feb. 6 and 7. Email at info@cohassetdramaticclub.org.

Nature Photographer Greg Lessard will present his latest photography exhibit, "Snowy Owl - Soul of the Arctic" in Vine Hall Art Gallery at the South Shore Science Center, 48 Jacobs Lane, Norwell, Massachusetts, through Feb. 8. The public is invited to a "Meet the Artist" reception on Saturday, Jan. 10, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Carver Winter Farmers' Market will be held the first Sunday of the month through May (with the exception of April, which will be on the second Sunday this year) from noon to 4 p.m. at The Frosty Dog, 58 No. Main St., Carver. There will be winter vegetables, jams and jellies, bakery, plants, soaps, crafts, live music and much more.

For information, call 508-944-3194.

Nick Pangakis at 4 p.m. at Waterfront Bar and Grill, 170 Water St., Plymouth, 508-591-8393.

Irish Session at 11 a.m. at The Tinker's Son, 707 Main St., Norwell, thetinkerson.com, 781-561-7361.

Splash of Blues Jam from 4 to 8 p.m. at Players Sports Bar & Grille, 86 VFW Drive, Rockland. 781-681-9999. [southshoresportsbar.com](http://www.southshoresportsbar.com).

Billy Downes at 4 p.m. at The Tinker's Son, 707 Main St., Norwell, thetinkerson.com, 781-561-7361.

MONDAY, JAN. 5

Italian Cultural Event with Italian-American Cultural Organization of the South Shore: An Italian cultural group that fosters a greater awareness of the Italian culture based on the South Shore of Massachusetts at 7 p.m. at Grove Manor Estates, 160 Grove St. Braintree. Vincent Cuccaro will be the guest speaker. He will speak about the Development of the Italian Language. Vincent was born in Italy and came to live in America at the age 11. He has masters and PhD in Romance Languages and literature at Harvard University. Join others to learn and share the culture. Refreshments will be served. General public and visitors are welcome.

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New Beginnings Singles Support Group, Inc. for newly widowed, separated or divorced adults, meets on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. at The Cushing School's Knights of Columbus Culinary Arts Center, 391 Washington St., Hanover. NB is a singles support organization dedicated to healing, growing and learning; not a dating service. Information: visit <http://nbnorwell.org/>, email at info@nbnorwell.org or call 781-499-2659.

Irish Seisiún every Monday at 5:30 p.m. at The Snug, 116 North St., Hingham, 781-749-9774. www.thesnugpub.com.

Free Texas Hold'em with the Northern Poker League at 7 and 10 p.m. at Black Raspberry Pub, 36 Cordage Park Circle, Plymouth, 508-830-0022.

Open mike night: 8:30 p.m. Mondays at Main Street Sports Bar & Grill, 39 Main St., Plymouth, 774-283-4129, www.mainst-sportsbarandgrill.com.

TUESDAY, JAN. 6

Ballroom Dancing every Tuesday from 7:30 to 11 p.m. at The Viking Club, 410 Quincy Avenue, Route 53, Braintree. Live bands every week. Singles and couples welcomed. Admission is \$10. Information: 781-784-2678 or 781-335-3171.

South Shore Men of Harmony rehearse every Tuesday at Hingham Community Center, 70 South St., Hingham, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. 781-337-SING (7464). Information:

781-337-7464.

Open mike with Jackson Wetherbee at The Tinker's Son, 707 Main St., Norwell, thetinkerson.com, 781-561-7361.

Jazz at Martini's, Tuesdays from 7 to 10 p.m. at Martini's, 50 Court St., Plymouth, featuring the Kenny Wenzel jazz group. Kenny Wenzel plays trombone and flute; drummer is Gene Roma. Call 774-773-9782 or visit www.martiniisplymouth.com for information.

Wicked Trivia 7:30-9:30 p.m. at British Beer Company, 2294 State Road, Plymouth (Cedars), 508-888-9756, www.britishbeer.com.

Dave Foley performs at the British Beer Company, 6 Middle St., Plymouth, 508-747-1776, www.britishbeer.com.

Wicked Trivia with Pat Lally, 7:30-9:30 p.m. at British Beer Company, 15 Columbia Road, Pembroke, 781-829-6999.

Plymouth Farmers' Market at Piloth Plantation on Warren Avenue in Plymouth. The indoor season runs from November to May, from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of the month, presenting regional farmers and artisans. Shoppers are encouraged to take their own shopping bags or baskets if possible. Homemade and reusable shopping bags will be available for purchase. EBT/SNAP/debit/credit cards and WIC are welcome. The market is free and open to the public, year round. See www.plymouthfarmersmarket.org for details.

Mark T. Small performs at 7 p.m. every Thursday at New World Tavern, 56 Main St., Plymouth, 508-927-4250.

Mark Purcell performs at the British Beer Company, 6 Middle St., Plymouth, 508-747-1776, www.britishbeer.com.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 7

Mammal Munchkins at the South Shore Natural Science Center, 48 Jacobs Lane, Norwell, every Wednesday for ages 1.5 to 3.5 years (with a caregiver), 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Hop like a rabbit, trot like a fox, and waddle like a skunk. Learn about mammals and their forest friends through games, music, creative movement, crafts and free play. Space is limited. Preregistration required. Fee: \$6 member, \$9 non-member per class. 781-659-2559 or www.southshorenaturalsciencecenter.org.

Citizen Science Challenge at South Shore Natural Science Center, 48 Jacobs Lane, Norwell, for grades 3 to 5. Thursdays, Jan. 8, Feb. 12, March 12, April 9, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. You don't need a white lab coat and a microscope to make scientific discoveries. Join others each month to explore a different citizen science program, collect data, and enter it into databases that will shape future environmental actions across the United States. Topics include ebird (1/8); FeederWatch (2/12); Project Squirrel (3/12); FrogWatch (4/9) Preregistration required. Fee: \$15 Member, \$18 Non-Member per class. 781-659-2559 or www.southshorenaturalsciencecenter.org.

Toni Lynn Washington at Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. 781-340-1300, 8 p.m.

Open mike at C-Note, 159 Nantasket Avenue, Hull. 781-925-4300, www.cnotehull.com.

Open mike with Mike V & Boston at 9 p.m. at Waterfront Bar and Grill, 170 Water St., Plymouth, 508-591-8393.

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FRIDAY, JAN. 9

Juke Joint 5 at Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. 781-340-1300. 8 p.m.

Gabrielle Boyle at The Snug, 116 North St., Hingham, 781-749-9774, www.thesnugpub.com, 9:30 p.m.

DJ and dancing w/DJ EZ at 9 p.m. at Waterfront Bar and Grill, 170 Water St., Plymouth, 508-591-8393.

Karaoke Night every Friday at 8 p.m. at American Legion Post 40, 199 Federal Furnace Road, Plymouth, open to the public. Call 508-746-0009 for details.

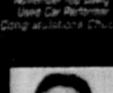
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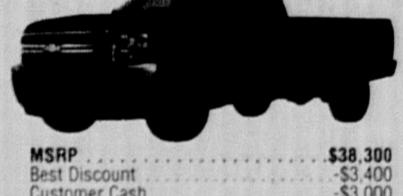
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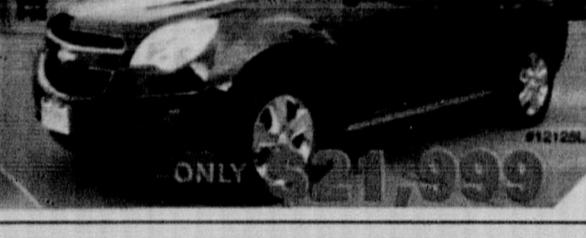
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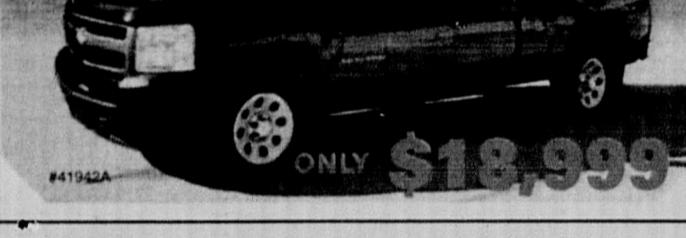
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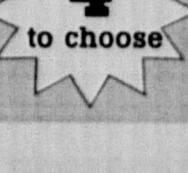
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